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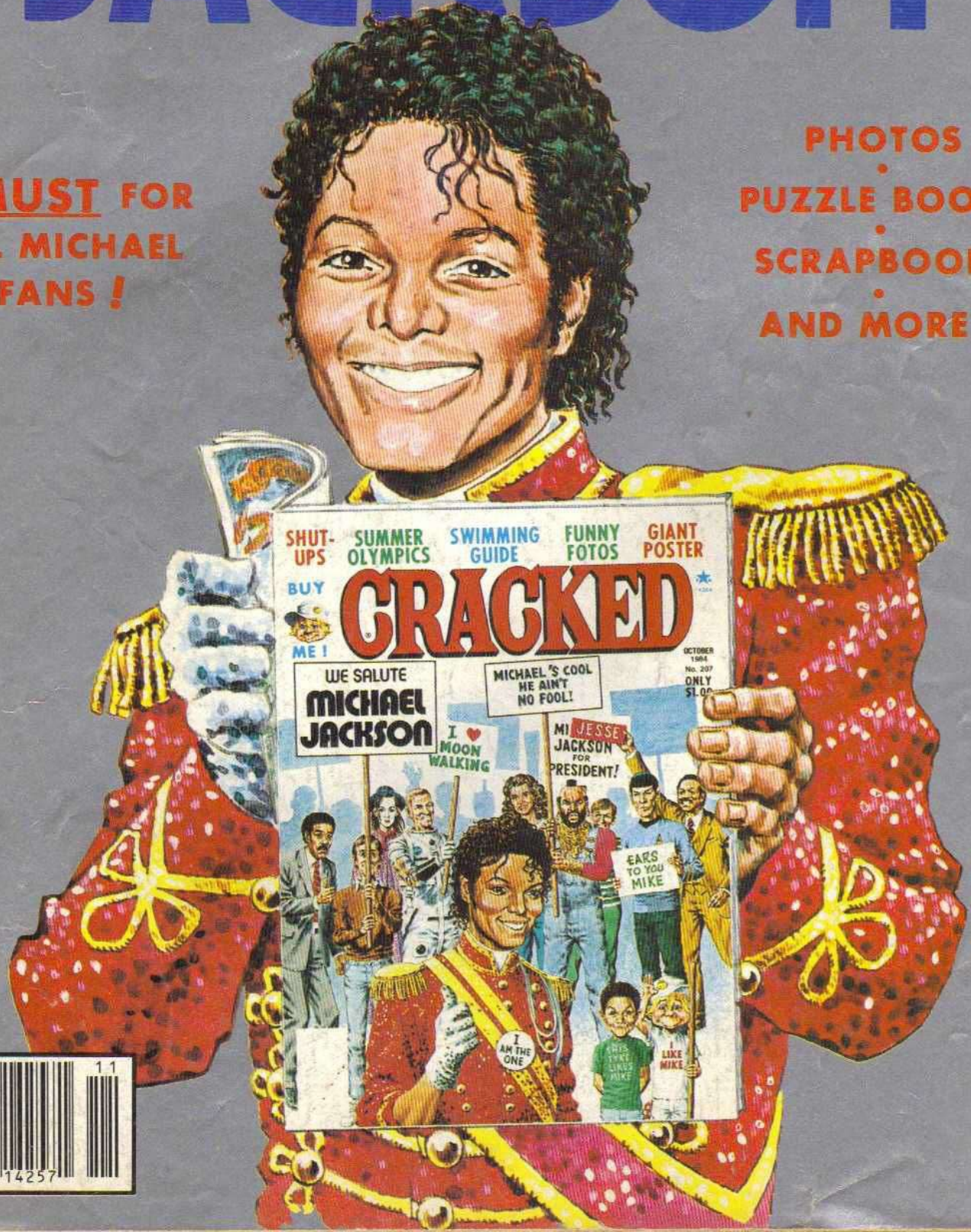

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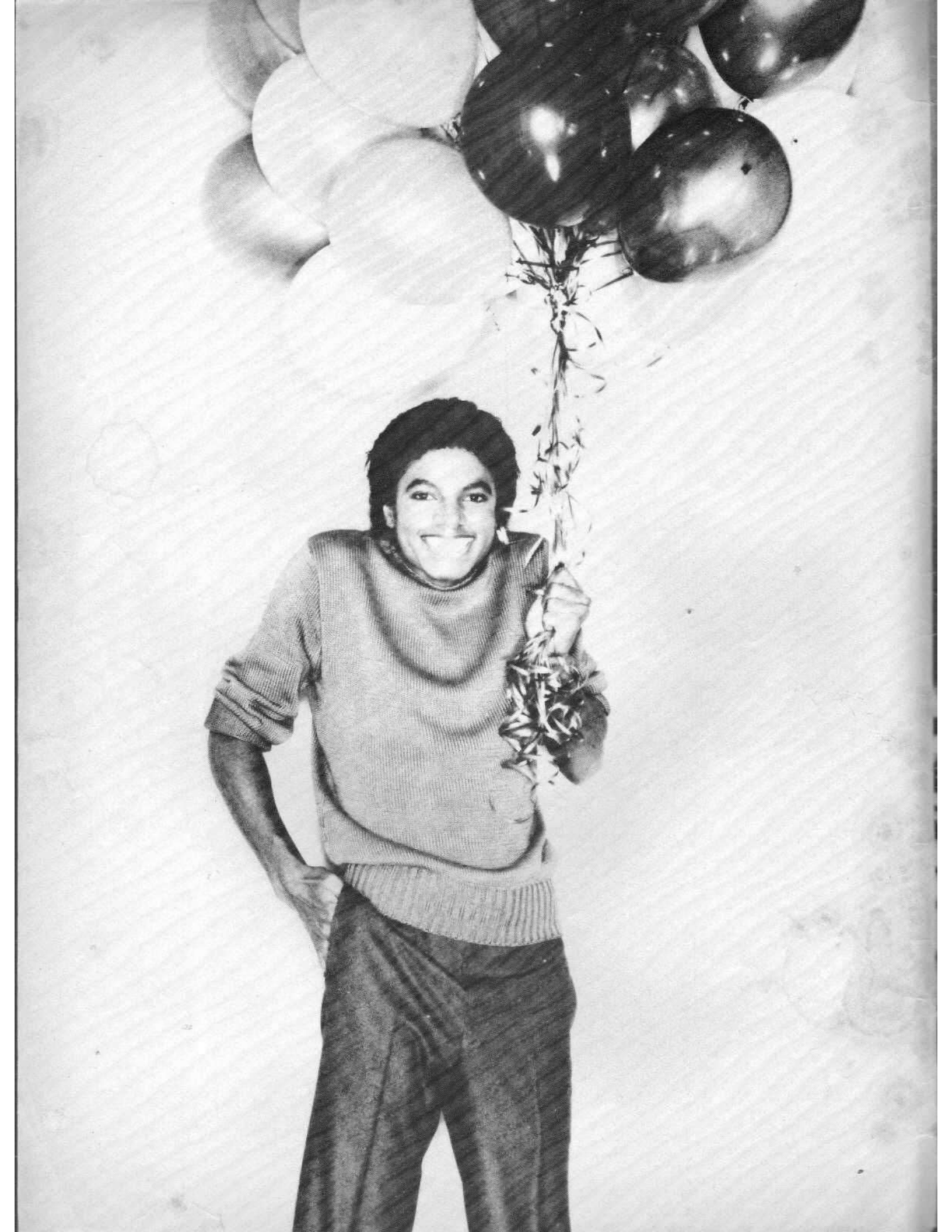

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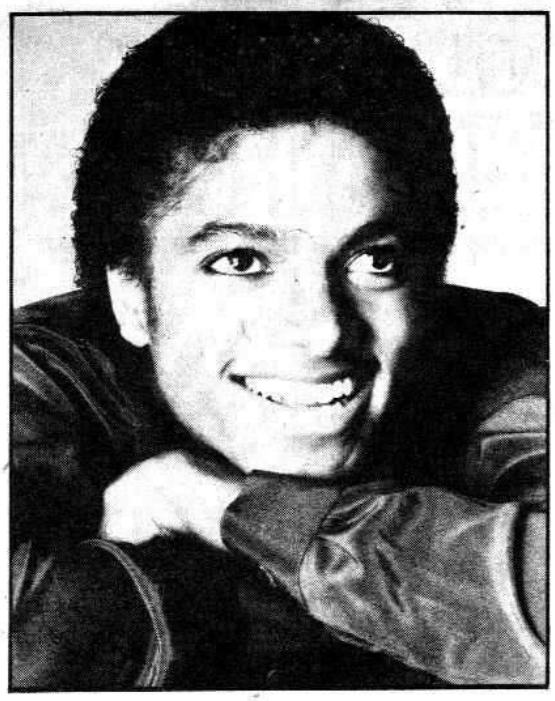


MICHAEL JACKSON LETTERS

Dear CRACKED,
Can you do one tiny, teeny, little favor for me for which I will be grateful for the rest of my life? Can you get me Michael Jackson's phone number?

Wendy Puka
Casa Grande, Arizona

Dear Wendy,
No. But we can get you Julio Jackson's phone number, the guy who runs the taco stand just down the block from the office.

Dear CRACKED,
Did you hear about the Michael Jackson GAIN WEIGHT FAST PIZZA DIET?

Harry Hunter
Columbia, North Carolina

Dear Harry,
Is that the one where you DON'T STOP TIL YOU GET ENOUGH?

Dear CRACKED,
I was walking a girl to her front door after our first date together and I asked her what Michael Jackson song I reminded her of.Know what she said? "Beat It!"

Tony Kerrington
Gallup, N.M.

Dear Tony,
The best answer you could of gotten was "Thriller!" At least she didn't say "You'll Always Be The Lady In My Life!"

Dear CRACKED,
I read that THRILLER has sold over 31 million copies so far. Is that a record?

Pete Weiss
North Platte, Nebraska

Dear Pete,
Of course it's a record. How else could you play it on your turntable !

Dear CRACKED,
My friend says Orson Wells narrated the "Thriller" song. I think it's Vincent Price. Which is right?

Frank Rich
Elko, Nevada

Dear Frank,
The PRICE is right !

Dear CRACKED,
Why does Michael wear sunglasses over his eyes?

Irv Gould
Medofr, OR

Dear Irv,
Because if he wore them over his mouth he'd look pretty ridiculous.

Dear CRACKED,
How big is Michael in Europe?

Frank Getty - Orem, Utah

Dear Frank,
He's 5'9" just like here at home !

Dear CRACKED,
A lot of my friends say I look just like Michael Jackson. What do you think?

Michelle Mulch
Seminole, Florida

Dear Michelle,
We think all your friends should see their optometrist right away.

Dear CRACKED,
I understand that a town in Mississippi changed its name in honor of Michael. Is this true?

Ed Tuchs
Meridian, Miss.

Dear Ed,
Afraid not. Jackson, Mississippi has been called that for quite some time now and was named for that other great Jackson . . . Joe !

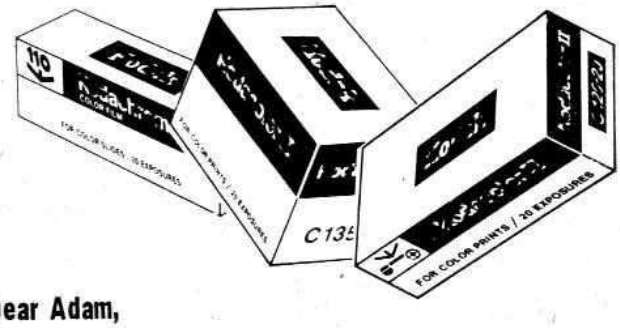
Dear CRACKED,
Can you tell me what a typical day in the life of Michael Jackson is like?

Glen Culver
Duluth, Minn.

Dear Glen,
We'll do better than that. We'll give you a whole article on the subject. Just turn to page 6 !

Dear CRACKED,
Would you know if Michael has any film deals in the works?

Adam Meriden - Waterbury, Conn.



Dear Adam,
Indeed. He is currently taking advantage of the DEVELOP ONE ROLL GET A NEW ROLL OF FILM FREE deal at the drugstore down the street from his house !

Dear CRACKED,
Could you please tell us what Michael's mother's name is?

Lydia Glintowsky - Laramie, Wyo.

Dear Lydia,
Yes, Mrs. Jackson !

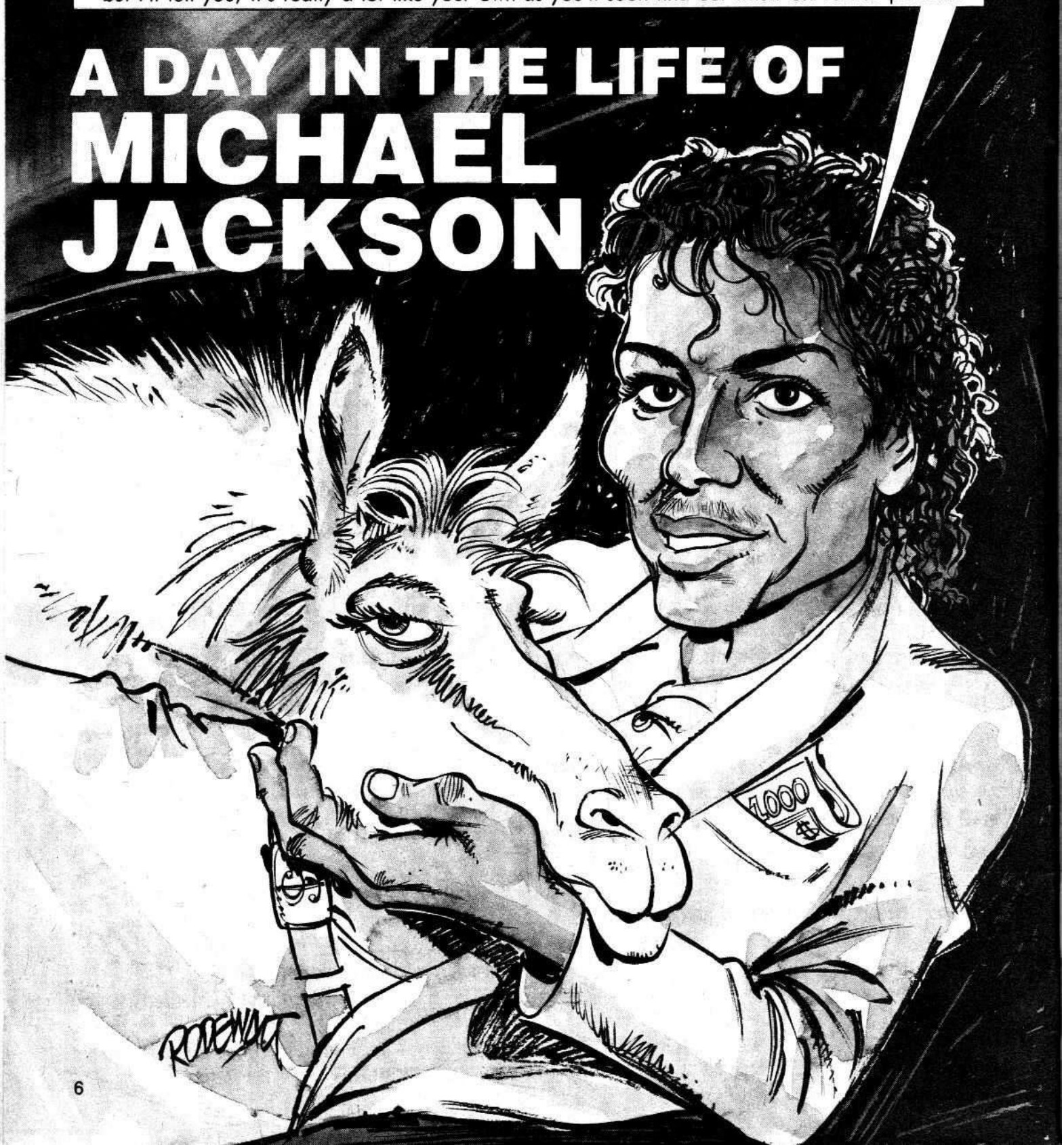
Dear CRACKED,
Michael Jackson is the coolest !

Ben Levinthol - Laramie, Wyoming

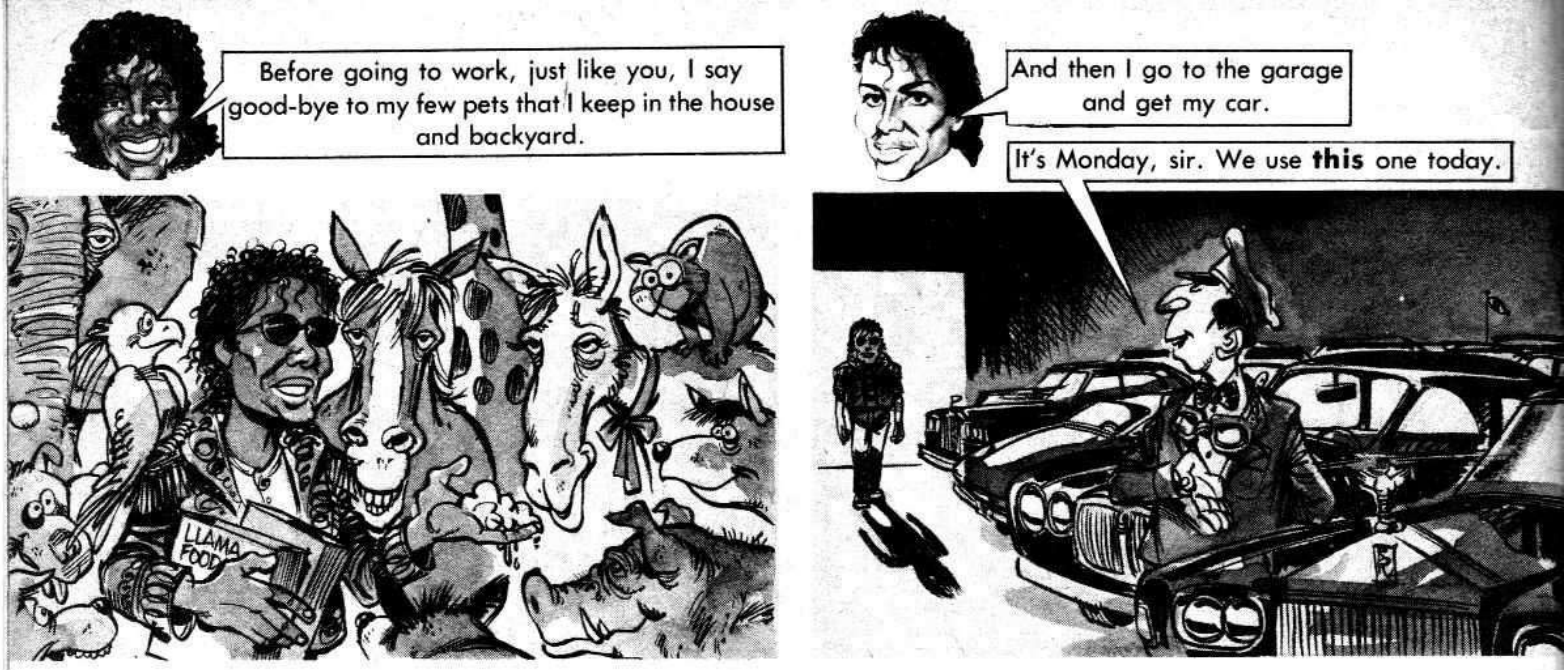
Dear Ben,
No, actually with a successful concert tour and his huge album THRILLER, he's the hottest !

Hi. Do you know me? I've been sitting on the front of this album jacket like this for nearly 19 months now and boy, am I ever stiff! But I'm not complaining. My album, **Thriller**, has sold over 30 million copies so far. In addition, I've also appeared on the cover of 2 or 3 magazines of late. Plus, I'm also getting ready for (or in the midst of—depending on when you're reading this) one of the most profitable concert tours of all time. Movies? Yeah I made one. **The Wiz** with Diana Ross. O.K., so nobody's perfect. I've also had two of the most successful videos ever and, even more exciting than all of the above, is what happened to me the last time I was in New York—I actually found a parking spot in less than 2 minutes. People wonder what kind of wild life I lead when I'm away from my fans, but I'll tell you, it's really a lot like your own as you'll soon find out when CRACKED presents

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF MICHAEL JACKSON



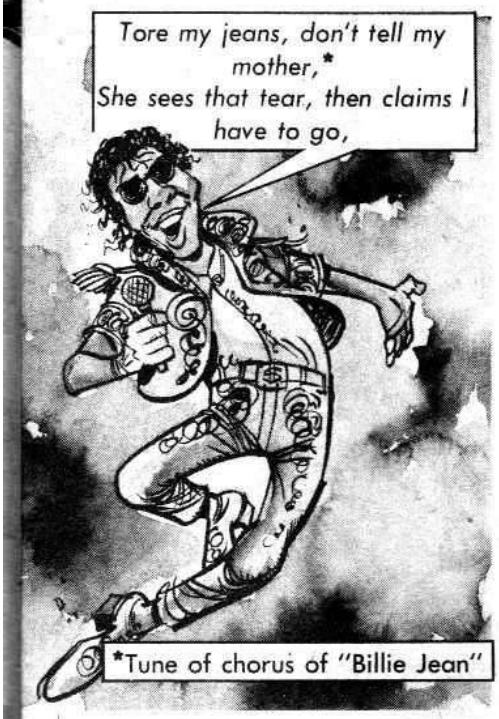
For starters, like you, I still live at home with my parents and wake up at the crack of dawn every day.
12 NOON
Then, just like you, I have breakfast.
Morning Michael. We have eggs, sausage, ham, 16 kinds of cereal, fresh fruit, pancakes, bacon, 8 types of bread and caviar to choose from this morning.
Hey ma, where's the beef?
Several minutes later, I'm in my basement and exercising on the few pieces of crude equipment I've bought over the years.
Dad, I feel sick.
Why you don't exercise **before** that big breakfast is a mystery to me.
Not me. Because that way I never had to exercise for too **long**. Then it's up to my bathroom for a quick bath . . .
And a shave.
What are you doing with those whiskers Mama?
Saving them, of course. I can get $2-$3 for each selling them to your fans.
Then it's over to my closet to pick out some clothes.
But first I'll put on my shades because as you can see just opening these doors lights up the room.
Then, like you, I raid my piggy bank for some spending money.
Will that be in 20's or 50's?


Before going to work, just like you, I say good-bye to my few pets that I keep in the house and backyard.
LLAMA FOOD
And then I go to the garage and get my car.
It's Monday, sir. We use **this** one today.

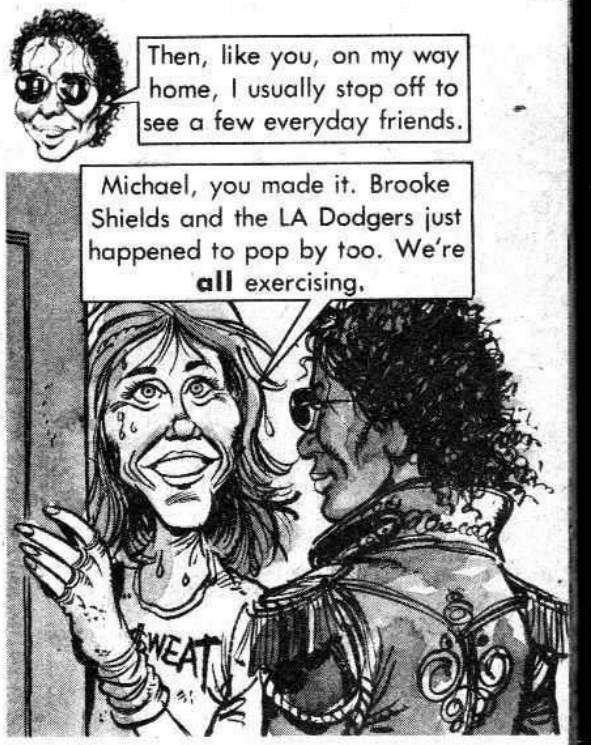
And, like you, when I leave my house, I have to drive past the thing every guy dreads—168 screaming girls all camped out in front of my doorstep.
I love you.

Once at work, I might do one of any number of things, like maybe record an album . . .
Michael this new album of yours has just sold 12 million copies.
But I haven't even recorded the first **note** yet.
When you're **hot** you're **hot!**
or give my consent to endorse a new product such as
"Michael Jackson Pasta In A Can.' Each piece is shaped just like you.
And the meatballs are in the form of record albums. I like that.
or
Are you sure this is in good taste?
Michael, there's designer everything these days.
I suppose. But BILLIE jeans???
BILLIE JEANS
Then to keep my dancing up to date and at its best, I stop off for some pointers from L.A.'s best.
Like this Michael.

Then it's onto a studio to complete my latest video.
SOUND STAGE
We're keeping it simple this time Michael. All we're doing is recreating Mt. Saint Helen which will erupt 250' into the air spewing lava and you dancing. O.K. Let's try a rehearsal of the song and dance first.


Tore my jeans, don't tell my mother,*
She sees that tear, then claims I have to go,
*Tune of chorus of "Billie Jean"

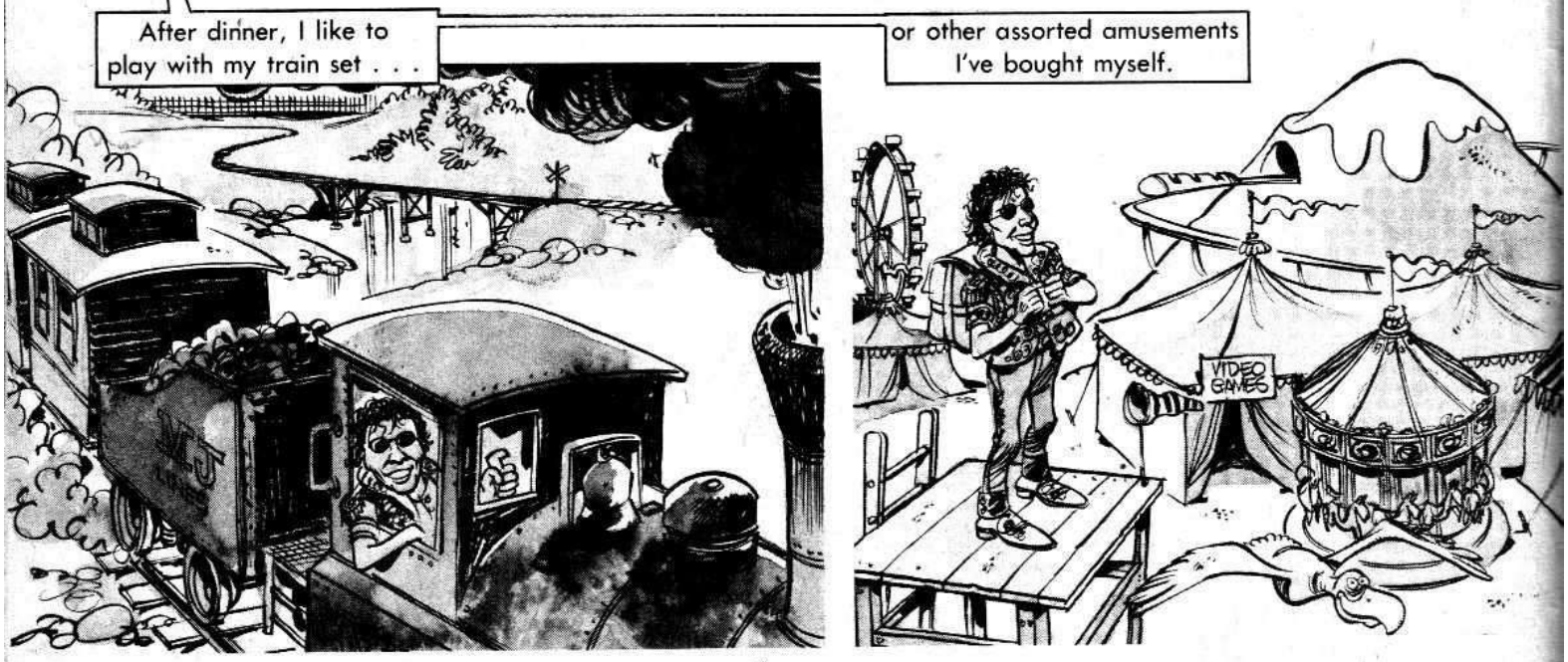
Cause those jeans cost mucho dough.


Then, like you, on my way home, I usually stop off to see a few everyday friends.
Michael, you made it. Brooke Shields and the LA Dodgers just happened to pop by too. We're **all** exercising.
SWEAT

Then it's back home where, like you, my mom makes me take out the garbage.

Before dinner, I like to unwind and watch a rented movie in our den.

We then have a light supper.
So what'll it be Michael?
Oh, I forgot to tell you this morning, Ma. I'm **fasting** tonight. I'll just have a bowl of **warm water.**
M.J.

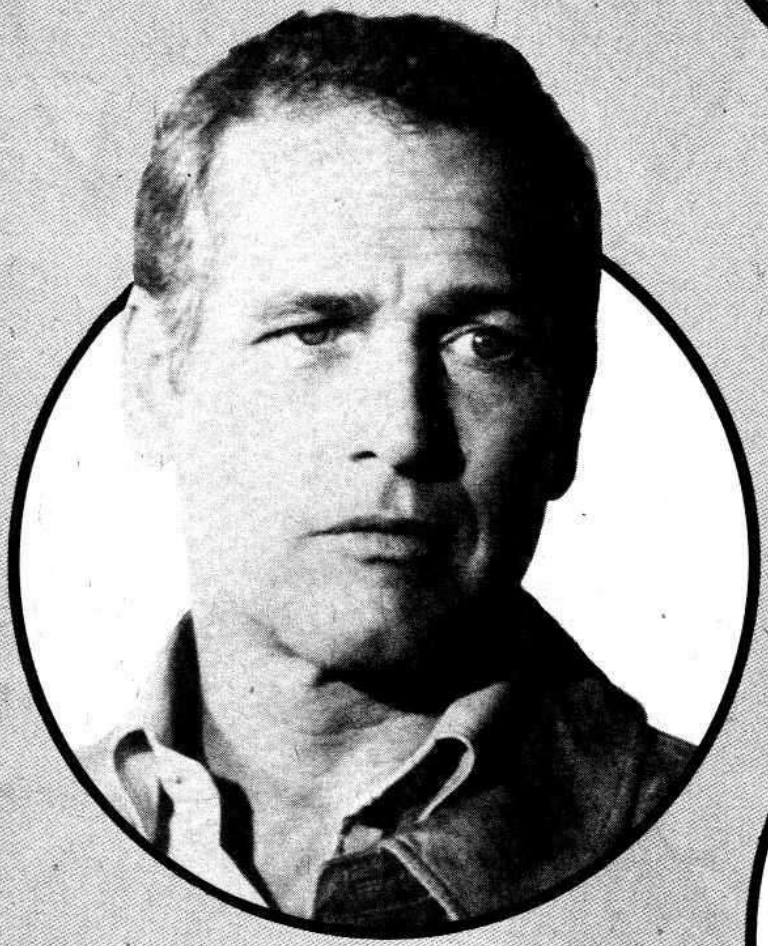

After dinner, I like to play with my train set . . .
or other assorted amusements I've bought myself.
VIDEO GAMES

And then, before bed, I admit, I often splurge by doing something **really** extravagant.
Michael! That was a **deposit bottle** you threw away.
I don't know what came over me, Mama.
And then it's off to bed where I have your typical everyday dreams.
30,561,007 . . .
30,561,008

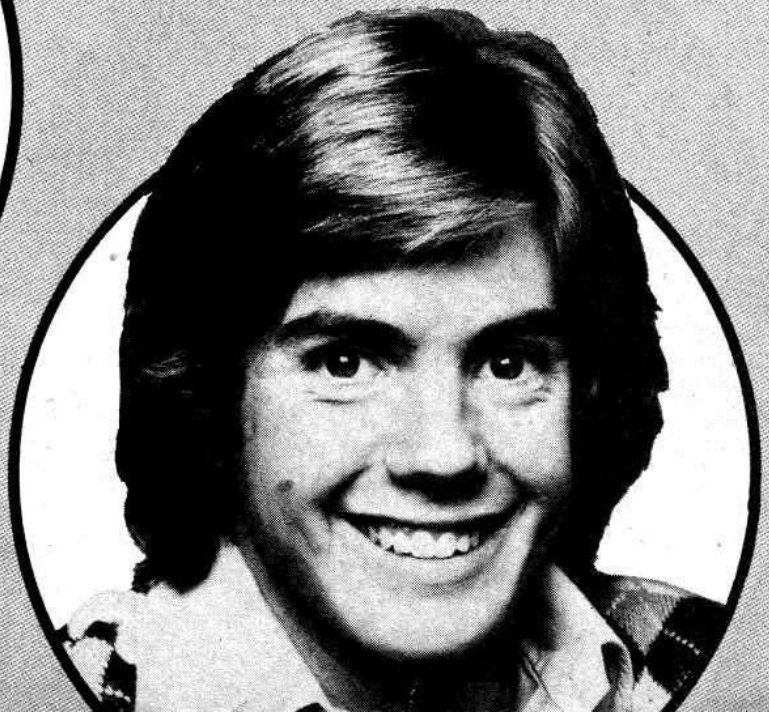
Celebrity Odes to Michael

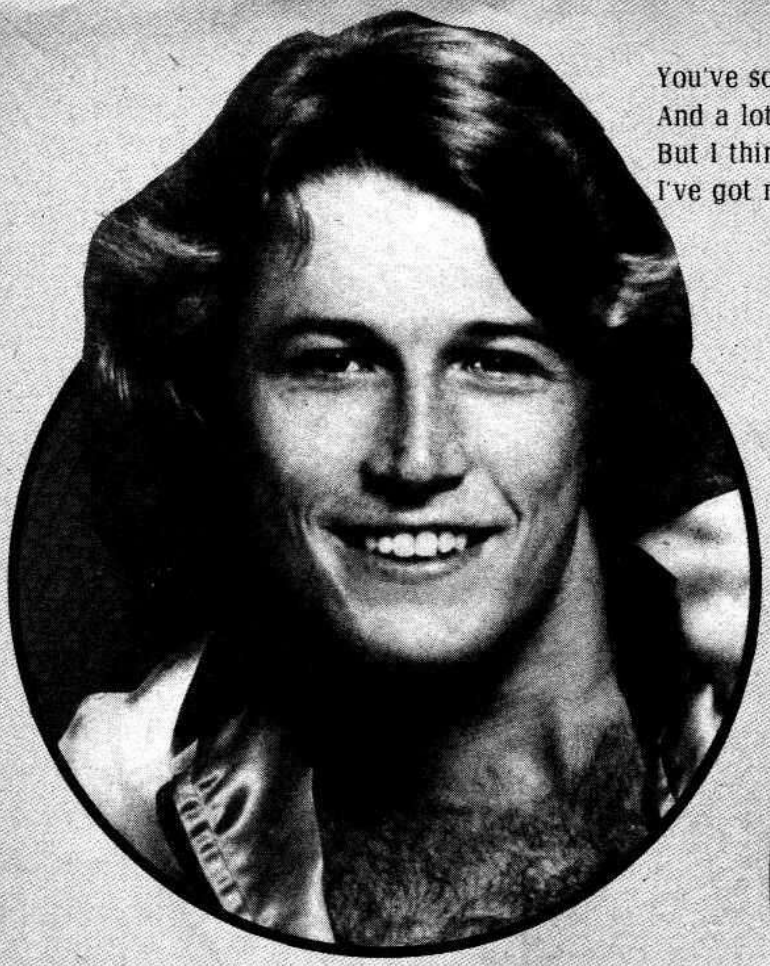
As 007 I'd jump from a plane,
As crooks I did pursue.
I'd dodge flying bullets and duck from a fist,
But I never had moves like you.

My daughter she says that you are "The Max!"
She says that I shouldn't dispute her.
But Mike, if we both set our egos aside,
You'd have to admit, **I'm** much cuter.



Do you see this smile on my face,
Well it's hiding envy so green,
I know I'd still be as big as you,
Had **I** written Billie Jean!!

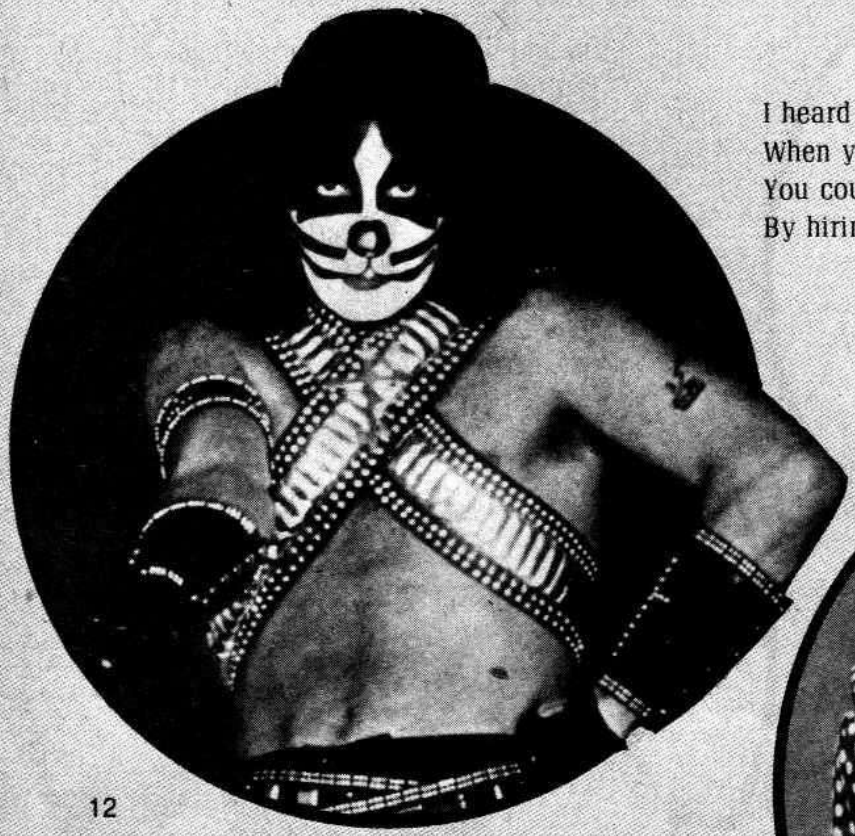




You've sold a lot more singles than me
And a lot more albums, it's true.
But I think I've got you beat in one place:
I've got much more chest hair than you!

Michael, Michael, look straight in my eyes,
I learned this from an old vaudevillian.
You're falling asleep, you're under my spell,
Now write me a check for 8 million.

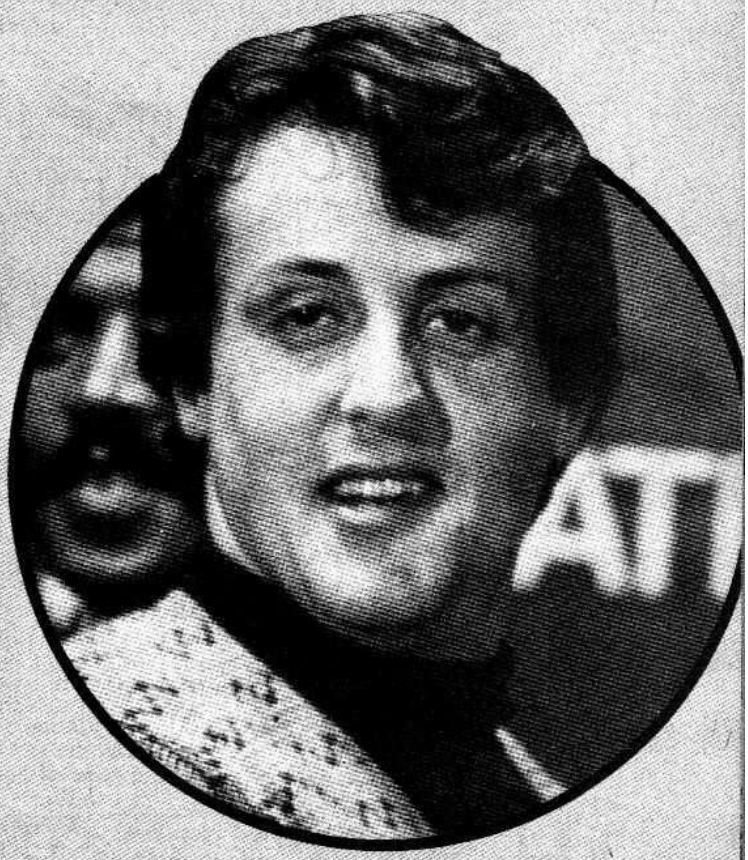
Remember me? I'm from the group KISS.
Our costumes were bold, somewhat gallant.
Our gimmick was that we painted our faces,
Your gimmick?—Big deal—It's talent!!



I heard you had trouble finding some ghouls
When you made your video THRILLER.
You could have just ceased your search at the start
By hiring Phyllis Diller.

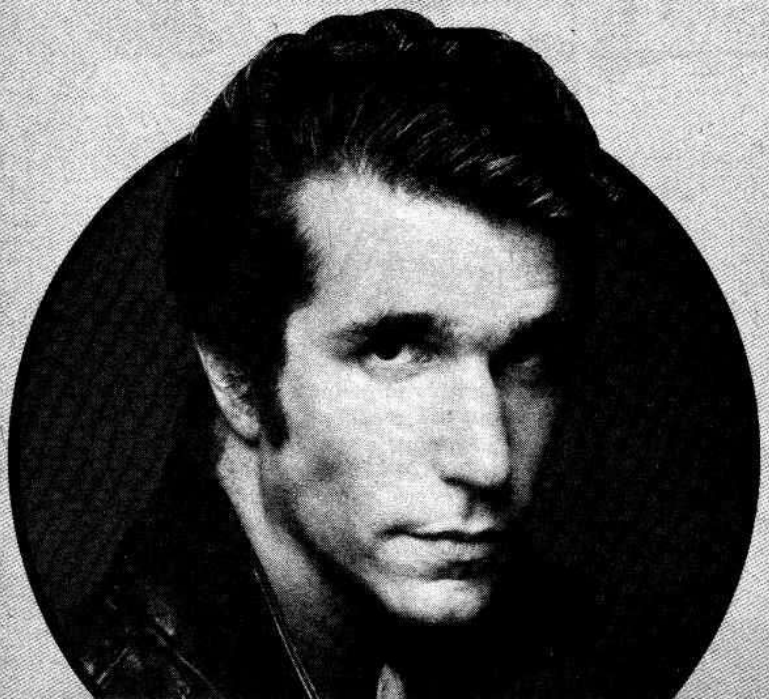
Your concert tour is grossing huge sums,
Your success makes me flip my wig.
And **I** thought with all the pounds on **my** bod
That **I** was the one who was big!!

Yo Mike, it's me, I been watchin' your fans
To see what you got dat dey love,
So's when I make Rocky IV next year,
I'll be boxing wit a sequined glove.



Mirror, mirror on the wall,
Who's the coolest of them all?
"Michael Jackson it couldn't be clearer"
I think I'll ask another mirror.

When I look at you I feel . . . ah!
And your eyes they look . . . oh dear!
And your moves . . . ooh and your . . . ah and ooh.
Are my feelings for you pretty clear?



Johnny, I've got a few more **cartons** of **crab paste** I want you to put out on **display**—and when you're done with that, **wax** the **floor, dust** the **tomatoes,** put up the **sale signs** for next **Monday** and, if you have time, **design** a new **wing** for the store.

Right **Mr. Scrupnuckle.**

Oh, and **congratulations.** Starting tomorrow I'm promoting you to the **5th assistant grocery clerk.** Not bad for only **4 years!**

Is there a **raise** in **pay?**

Of course. On Friday your **check** will be waiting for you on the **third shelf** of the pay rack instead of the **second.**

Third shelf! Sometimes I think I'm **wasting** my life away in this place. It's so...

Hi Johnny.

Tessie! What are you doing here?

I'm on my **coffee break.** Hey! You look **down.**

It's my job. I'm getting **sick** of it. It's **dull.** I mean **you** just don't know what it's like!

Hey, you **forget.** I work in the **market** too.

Yeah, but you're a **stock broker.**

It's close.

Well, I gotta go.

But you just got here.

Yeah, but it took me **20 minutes** to get up here by **train** from **Wall Street** and now I gotta get back down. We only get an **hour** for coffee.

O.K. I'll pick you up tonight at **1 a.m.** when the store **closes.** Anything **special** you'd like to do?

Yeah. How about we go **grocery shopping?**

Sure!

Man, when I think about my life...
Was a couple years ago today
Quitted high school and I ran away.

*Started raising **beets** for Julia **Child,***
But she hasn't called for quite a while.

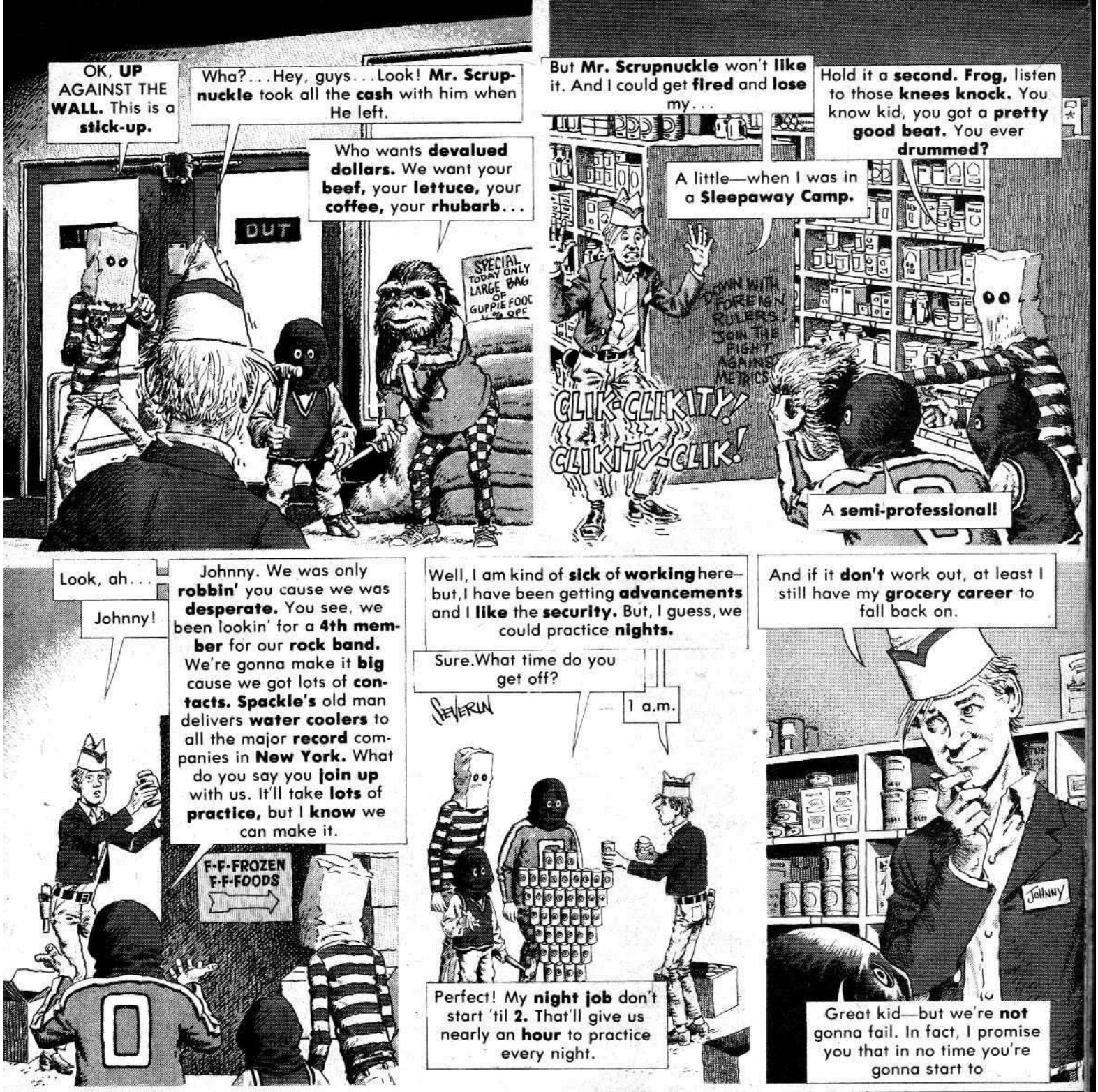
So I begged and pleaded for a job
And after searching round for all these years.
This is where I finally landed, dear.

I'm a mediocre, crumby grocery clerk,
Who's sick of stacking up the Spam.
A mediocre, crumby grocery clerk,
There's gotta be a better scam.
Waxing down cabooses—or scrubbing down big roosters—
There's gotta be a better job than this!

I could be a brain surgeon,
It might be quite a thrill.
But the sight of all that gushy stuff,
I'd prob'ly barf and faint and fall—
It wouldn't work at all.

I don't really know what to do,
But this grocery kinda makes me blue.
Stickin' sale signs up against the door,
Like David Susskind, it's a bloody bore.
So let me vow to all of you,
If it's the last thing that I ever do,
I gotta get my—self unstuck from here!

TUNE OF: SGT. PEPPERS' LONELY HEARTS CLUB BAND



ROCK AND ROLL YOUR EYEBALLS OUT

So, **Tessie,** what do you **think?**

You guys are **good,** but...

...the band seems to be **lacking** something. I mean, I can go with the **drums,** but the **tuba** and **harp**...it just doesn't give you a **rock sound.**

She could be **right.** We been together **over** a **week** now and **nothin's happened!**

And the **band's** name— **Puss.** It just doesn't have the right ring to it. In fact, in all honesty guys, after **hearing** you

Well, I can see by the way you do your thing,
You're in trouble man
You don't even sing.
A tuba man, it just ain't cool
And 3-piece suits,
Man, this ain't school.
And the songs you do,
They're the pits!
You'll starve before you get a hit.
It's time to change, beef up the band,
If you wanna start attractin' fans!

TUNE OF: STAYIN' ALIVE

Whether you're the Beatles,
Linda Ronstadt or the Eagles,
It's a gimmick you need,
A gimmick you need.
Gotta have somethin'
For attractin' country bumpkin,
It's a gimmick you need
A gimmick you need.
Yeah yeah yeah yeah
Gimmick you need!

YEAH!

I DIG!

LIKE WOW!

Kiss has their make-up,
Beatles their break-up
Come up with somethin' man.
Jagger keeps shakin'
Come up with somethin' man.
A gimmick you need!

WE ALL HEAR ... WE ALL HEED ... A LITTLE GIMMICK IS ALL WE NEED!

Well, look. I gotta get **back** to **work.**

Thanks for the **advice,** Tessie.

Yeah and **thanks** for gettin' us this **place** to **rehearse** in.

Toulouse, with all the **noise** on the **trading floor,** no one's gonna even notice I **snuck** you in here. See you after the rehearsal, Johnny.

MAY 10

Guys, since we been **wearing** these **shoes** on our **heads** and **switched** to being an **all-drum band,** things are starting to happen. I got us a **gig** at **Clancy's Outdoor Clam Stand** tomorrow.

Great!

MAY 11

Clancy's is happy to present...**The Guitars!**

CLANCY'S CLAM BAR

O'SHAUGHN

CLAMS WHAT AM!

MAY 12

Gentlemen, I'm the **owner** of **Eardrum Records** and I heard your band at **Clancy's** yesterday. I'd like to give you a **contract.** Do you think you could **cut** a **record** for me **tonight** for release **tomorrow?**

I don't get off from the **store** 'til **1 a.m.**

No rush. That's fine.

MAY 13

Billboard

THE GUITARS ··· NO.1 RECORD IN COUNTRY

AMERICAN MADNESS COMING UP FAST

MAY 14

Spackle! Johnny! Toulouse! Clancy's wants us **back** on **Saturday** for a second gig!

Well, I got better news. **Fleetwood Mac** wants us to open for them at the **Spectrum** in **Philadelphia.** Johnny, do you think you could get the **night off** from the **store** to do it?

No sweat!

MAY 15

And now the Spectrum is proud to present... **THE GUITARS!!!**

YA-AY! YA-AY!

Johnny, I'm...

Barbra Streisand! I recognize you!

You have my **Greatest Hits** album?

No, these **sunglasses** I bought yesterday came **packaged** on a **model** of your **nose.**

I just want to say you were **super** tonight.

Well, it's been **two weeks** of **super-hard work,** but it was worth it to **finally** be on **top.**

You've been together **two weeks?!!**

Yup.

I could tell you were **veterans** of the business.

Perhaps you'd like to **join** me for **dinner.**

STAGE ENTRANCE

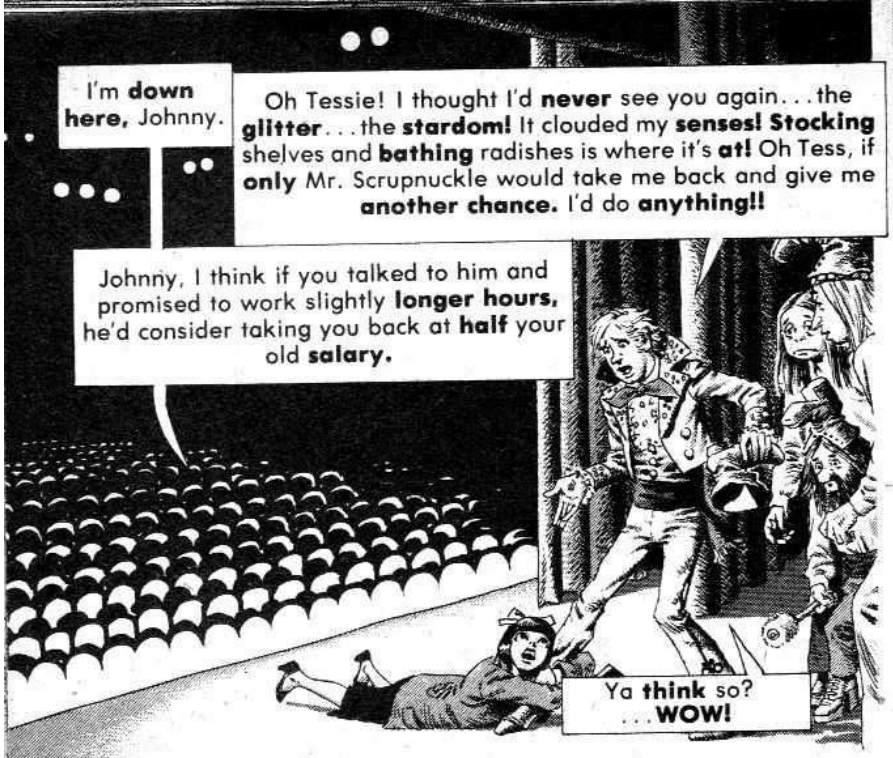
PEOPLE WHO WRITE GRAFFITI ARE IDIOTS.

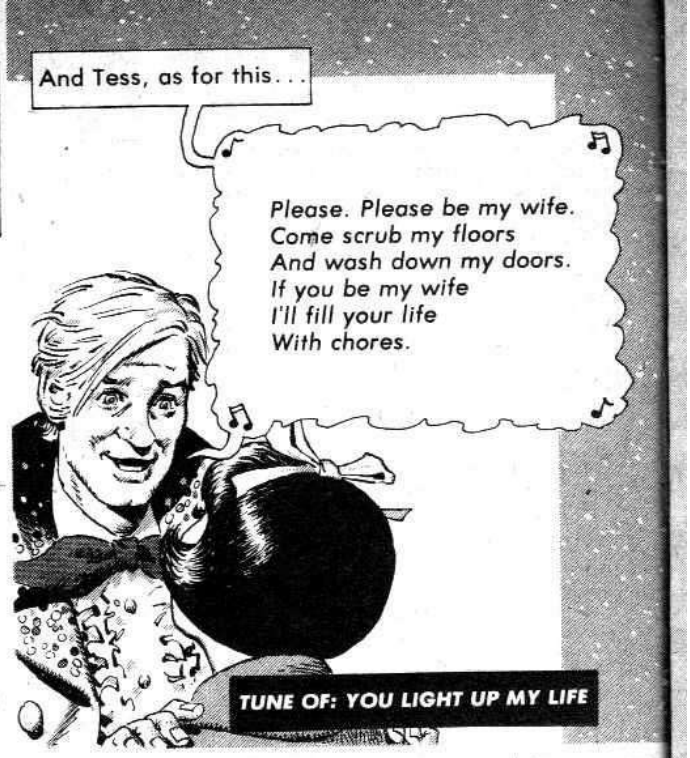
BUY AMERICAN

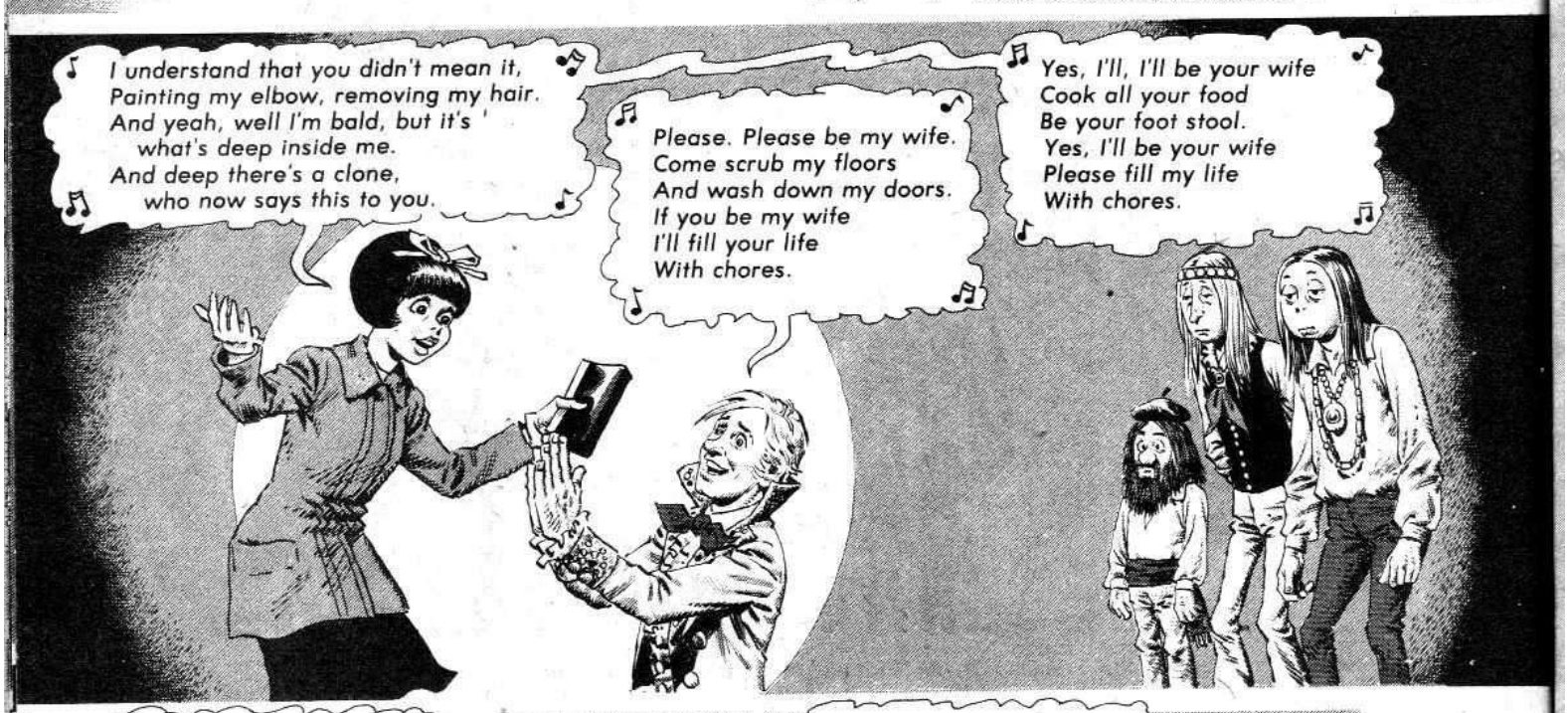
Well, my girlfriend Tessie was **roastin'** a **pig** for the **two** of us tonight, but... What the **heck!** When she finds out I'm **breakin'** our **date** to have **dinner** with another **woman,** she'll be delighted!

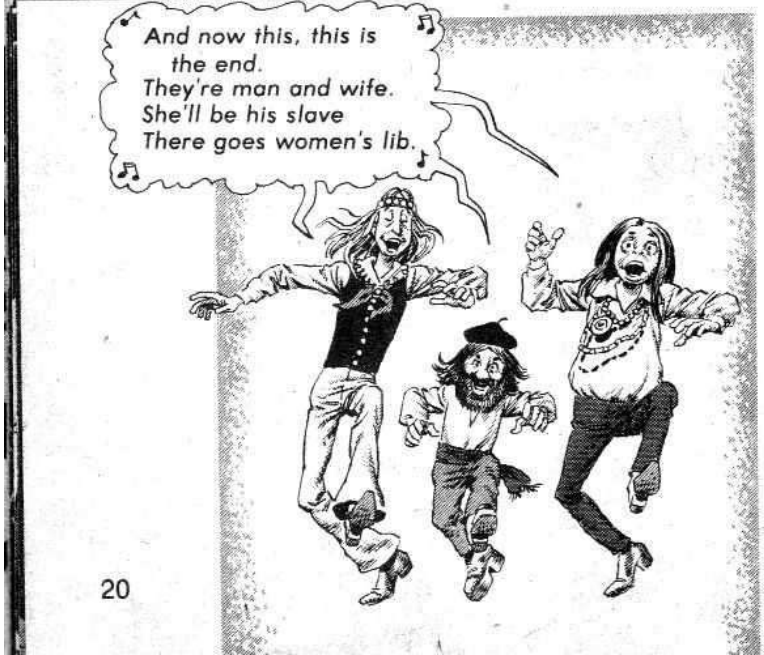
Johnny, I have to **talk** with you.
Tessie, can't you see I'm **shelving** the **All-Bran!**
It'll only take a minute.
You've broken **14** of our latest dates—**3** before we even made them—and **last night** you said you **never** wanted to **see** me **again.** I think something's wrong with our **relationship.** Is it another woman? I **have** to **know!!**
Honey, between **workin'** 9 a.m. to 1a.m. at the **store** and savin' **45 minutes** to **sleep,** I need some time to myself—to be alone. So, I been **dating** other women. **Tessie,** I got the **bucks** and can afford to **date** the **very best** now, so why shouldn't I?
MR. SCRUPNUCKLE HAS BAD BREATH.
OUR PRICES MAY BE UP BUT OUR QUALITY IS DOWN
I knew this would happen.
You ain't nothin' but a rich crumb,
Snobby all the time.
You ain't nothin' but a big bum,
A snively piece of slime.
You were once my lovey-dovey,
Now you ain't no guy of mine.
TUNE OF: HOUND DOG
Well, now you're livin' high class,
You charge me for a hug.
You bought a Chevy with some stained glass,
While I'm drivin' just a bug.
Then you moved out on your momma
You ain't no son of hers!
Johnny, get this. Since our **second single** in 3 days made it to **#1,** they want us to play **Dodger Stadium**—95,000 seats!! And we'll be **headlining** with **Kiss,** The **Rolling Stones** and a **Beatles reunion** as our **opening acts!!**
When is it Frog?
This **Saturday** at noon. Think you can get off from the store?
TURTLE CHOW $3.99 bag
What do you say, Mr. Scrupnuckle? It's a **big gig.**
It may be, but you know **Saturday** is when we **color** the **carrots** and **slice cheese** for the following week. It's a **big day** here too.
You're being **unreasonable!!**
NO CHECKS DON'T ASK!
THE BOSS
Johnny, I let you off at **midnight** last Sunday for a gig and **5 minutes** to 1 last Tuesday. I'm afraid you'll have to **choose** between your **million-dollar grossing** rock group or the **security** of your **$90-a-week grocery-clerking** job!

Why are you **doing** this to me? Why does there **have** to be a **choice?**
I'm sorry.
Johnny, the **plane** leaves for L.A. in 3½ minutes.
3½?... My **million-dollar rock** and **rolling** or **cucumber dusting?...** It's so hard!... Oh!... Frog! I'll be there!
No Johnny! I **won't** let you go!!
Welcome to Los Angeles. You go on in an **hour!**
Hi, Johnny. I **love** you.
Tessie took your leaving **her** and the **store** very hard, I hear!
Yeah. The **fool** says she won't give me up.
Do you ever **think** of her?
This is gonna sound **corny** Spackle, but in **everything** I do...
LOS ANGELES
GATE 5
...she's always with me.
And that was the **first reunion** of the **Beatles** since their break-up of so many years ago. But now for our **really** big act of the afternoon. Ladies and gentlemen—**THE GUITARS!**
YIPEE YAY YAHOO
1 — 2 — 3...
Frog, **something's wrong!!** Like everything was **fine** the first **12 minutes** of our set, but now I'm gettin' bad **vibes.**
Phone call for Mr. Frog.
In the **middle** of our act? Can't it wait?
Oh no! That was Mr. **Fleasucker** over at **Eardrum Records.** He said our new record, **"Heart of Foam"**, isn't selling. When we started the set, it was **#53,** but now it's dropped to **#123!** We're losing **popularity!!**
And look! The **fans** have all left! **Frog! Toulouse!** We're **has-beens!!!**
Oh no! **Tessie** was right! I shouldn't have **left** the **store.** If only I **knew** where she was so I could make it all up to her!


I'm **down here,** Johnny.
Oh Tessie! I thought I'd **never** see you again... the **glitter**... the **stardom!** It clouded my **senses! Stocking** shelves and **bathing** radishes is where it's **at!** Oh Tess, if **only** Mr. Scrupnuckle would take me back and give me **another chance.** I'd do **anything!!**
Johnny, I think if you talked to him and promised to work slightly **longer hours,** he'd consider taking you back at **half** your old **salary.**
Ya **think** so? ...**WOW!**


And Tess, as for this...
Please. Please be my wife.
Come scrub my floors
And wash down my doors.
If you be my wife
I'll fill your life
With chores.
TUNE OF: YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE


I understand that you didn't mean it,
Painting my elbow, removing my hair.
And yeah, well I'm bald, but it's
what's deep inside me.
And deep there's a clone,
who now says this to you.
Please. Please be my wife.
Come scrub my floors
And wash down my doors.
If you be my wife
I'll fill your life
With chores.
Yes, I'll, I'll be your wife
Cook all your food
Be your foot stool.
Yes, I'll be your wife
Please fill my life
With chores.


And now this, this is
the end.
They're man and wife.
She'll be his slave
There goes women's lib.

That's what you think
Just wait.
First trap your man,
Then tie him up tight,
Then you...can screw
up his life!

TH'END

IT TAKES ONLY A POCKET CALCULATOR AND ONE FINGER TO PLAY . . .

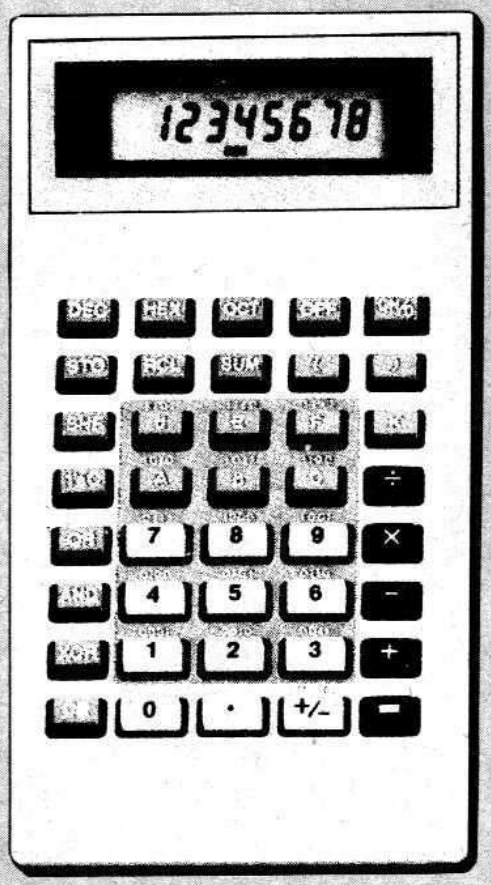
ROCK CALCULATOR READOUTS

TO GET THE ANSWERS TO ALL OF THE QUESTIONS, YOU WILL NEED THE AID OF A CALCULATOR. AFTER DOING THE REQUIRED MATH, TURN THE CALCULATOR UPSIDE DOWN TO FIND OUT THE ANSWER

1. WHEN MICHAEL JACKSON STRUTS HIS STUFF IT SOMETIMES LOOKS LIKE HE HAS FOUR OF THESE. (2818 × 2 + 1)

2. WHAT A ROCK FAN FINDS IN HIS WALLET AFTER HE'S PURCHASED A COUPLE OF CONCERT TICKETS. (11113854 ÷ 3)

3. WHAT UNPOPULAR VEEJAYS PROVOKE FROM VIDEO VIEWERS. (407468 + 128046)



4. ABOUT THE ONLY INSTRUMENT YOU WON'T FIND IN A ROCK BAND THESE DAYS. (14 + 14 + 14 + 336)

5. WHAT BAND YOU WOULD PLAY IN IF YOUR NAME WAS GIBB. (26682 × 199 + 26620)

6. WHAT A TEENY-BOPPER IS SURE TO DO IF SHE LOSES HER AUTOGRAPHED PHOTO OF RICK SPRINGFIELD. (37 × 37 − 564)

7. WHAT MICHAEL JACKSON'S MAGIC GLOVE NEVER SEEMS TO DO.
(3500 × 2 + 105)

8. WHAT ROCK STARS WOULD NEED IF THEY EVER GAVE A CONCERT FOR MERMAIDS.
(14429) × 4)

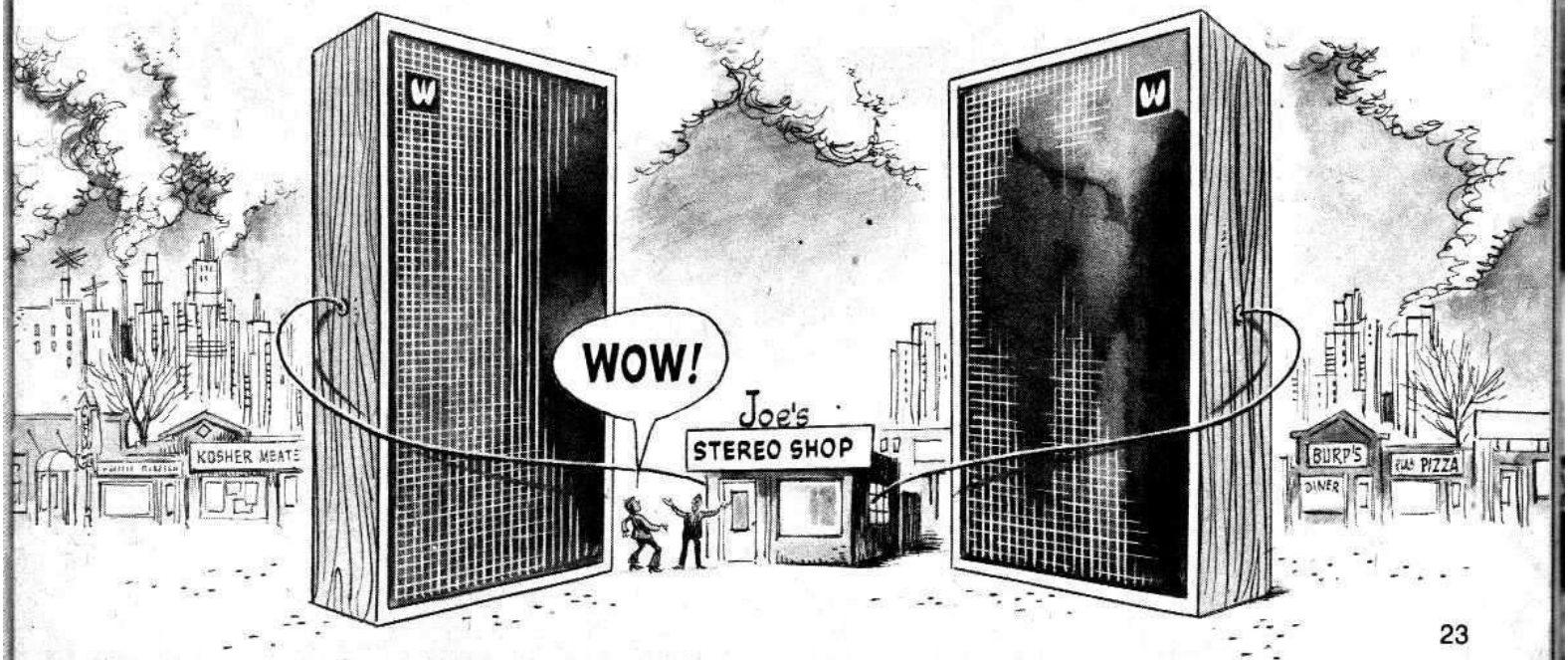
9. AS IMPORTANT AS OXYGEN TO ROCK GROUPS.
(1872 × 3)

10. WHAT A ROADIE WINDS UP DOING WHEN SOUND EQUIPMENT FALLS ON HIS FOOT.
(615 × 615 + 579)

11. WHAT EVERY ROCK STAR AND ROCK FAN JUST LOVES TO DO.
(105331 × 3 + 15)

ANSWERS

1. 5637 LEGS
2. 3704 618 BIG HOLE
3. 535514 HISSES
4. 3080 BOOB
5. 5336338 BEE SEES
6. 805 SOB
7. 7105 SOIL
8. 57716 BILLS
9. 5616 BIBS
10. 378804 HOBBLE
11. 316008 BOOBIE



CRACKED is trying to squeeze the extra toothpaste back into the tube!

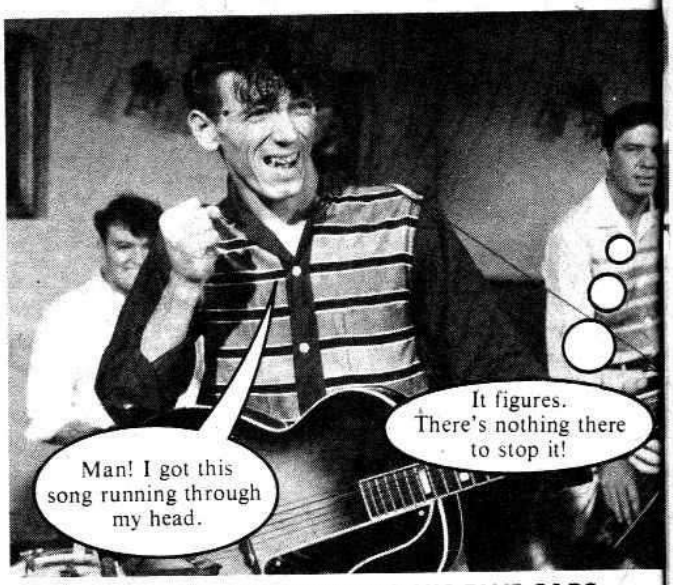
GENE VINCENT & HIS BLUE CAPS

THE TRENIERS

GOLDIE OLDIE ROCK YOCKS

There's a great revival of interest in rock 'n' roll performers of the fifties. In a nostalgic vein CRACKED presents some "goldie oldie" favorites of a dozen years ago . . . and some mouldy oldie jokes of a hundred years ago. . .

FRANKY LYMON & THE TEEN-AGERS



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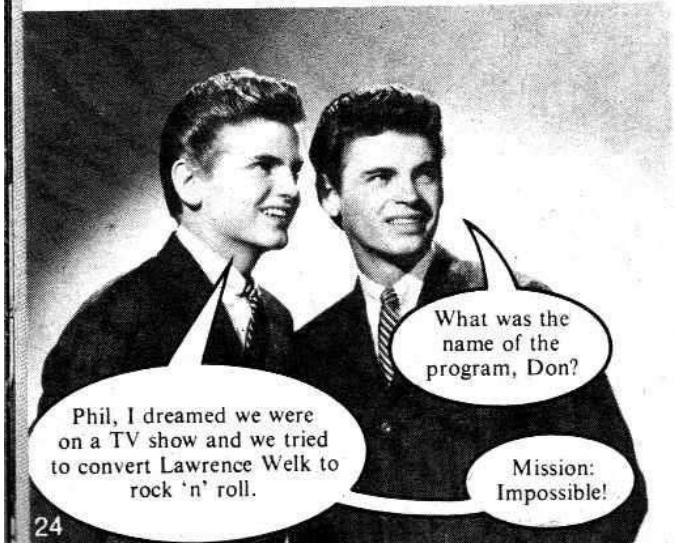
EVERLY BROTHERS



LAVERNE BAKER

ALAN FREED

THE GOOMBAHS

LITTLE RICHARD

ONE MINUTE INTERVIEW WITH LITTLE RICHARD

QUESTION: WHAT'S YOUR REACTION TO FATS DOMINO'S "BLUEBERRY HILL"?

QUESTION: WHAT'S YOUR REACTION TO MIKE JAGGER'S "JUMPING JACK FLASH"?

QUESTION: WHAT'S YOUR REACTION TO PAT BOONE'S COVER VERSION OF YOUR SONG "TUTTI FRUTTI"?

START HERE

GAME RULES

ALL YOU NEED TO PLAY THIS GAME IS THE BOARD BELOW AND ONE DICE (ONE DIE IF YOU'RE AN ENGLISH MAJOR). PLAYER WITH THE HIGHEST ROLL GOES FIRST. MOVE THE

DEEJAY PLAYS YOUR REQUEST **AHEAD 3**

YOU ARE A CLOSET PAT BOONE FAN **LOSE TURN**

GO AGAIN

YOU THINK DEF LEPPARD IS AN ANIMAL WITH A PHYSICAL DISABILITY **BACK 1**

BILLY JOEL'S NEXT SONG IS ABOUT YOUR HOME TOWN **AHEAD 2**

YOU STOP TO WATCH BREAK DANCERS **LOSE TURN**

GO AGAIN

YOU HAVE A PREMONITION THE BEATLES WILL GET BACK TOGETHER **ADVANCE 3**

ROCK TICKET BROKER SKIPS TOWN WITH YOUR MONEY **BACK 3**

GO AGAIN

GO AGAIN

YOU THINK ROCK ENDED WITH MARIE AND DONNIE OSMOND **LOSE TURN**

YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHO PUT ENCINO ON THE MAP **BACK 2**

YOU GET A MICHAEL JACKSON NOSE JOB AND WIND UP LOOKING LIKE MEATLOAF **BACK 3**

YOU'RE CRAZY ABOUT ALL THE VEEJAYS ON MTV. **LOSE TURN** WHILE YOUR HEAD IS EXAMINED

LIMBO
YOU MUST ROLL A ONE TO ENTER ROCK HEAVEN

YOU'RE MISTAKEN FOR ROD STEWART. HIS FANS MOB YOU **BACK 4**

YOU'RE THE FIRST ON YOUR BLOCK TO GET MTV **AHEAD 2**

YOUR NEWSDEALER FORGETS TO SAVE YOU A COPY OF ROLLING STONE **BACK 3**

MICHAEL JACKSON FAN CLUB MEETING
IF YOU LAND ON THIS SQUARE YOU NEED AN ODD NUMBER TO GET THROUGH

YOU HITCH YOUR WAGON TO LIONEL RITCHIE'S STAR **AHEAD 3**

YOU SHARE JAMES WATT'S VIEW OF THE BEACH BOYS **LOSE TURN**

GO AGAIN

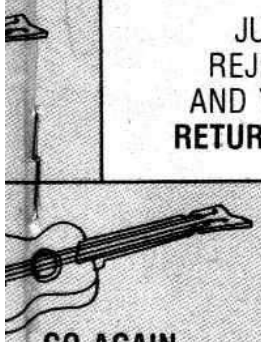
AMOUNT OF SPACES INDICATED ON THE DIE AND FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS OF THE SQUARES YOU LAND ON. FIRST PLAYER TO REACH ROCK 'N' ROLL HEAVEN IS THE WINNER.

ROCK CONCERT

NARROW ENTRANCE
IF YOU LAND ON THIS SQUARE YOU MUST ROLL ODD NUMBER TO GET THROUGH

JUKE BOX REJECTS YOU AND YOUR COIN
RETURN TO START

DONNA SUMMER IS YOUR FAVORITE SEASON
AHEAD 1



GO AGAIN

STEVIE NICKS GIVES YOU HER AUTOGRAPHED PHOTO
FLY AHEAD 3

YOU THINK THE CULTURE CLUB IS A SOCIETY FOR HONOR STUDENTS
BACK 3

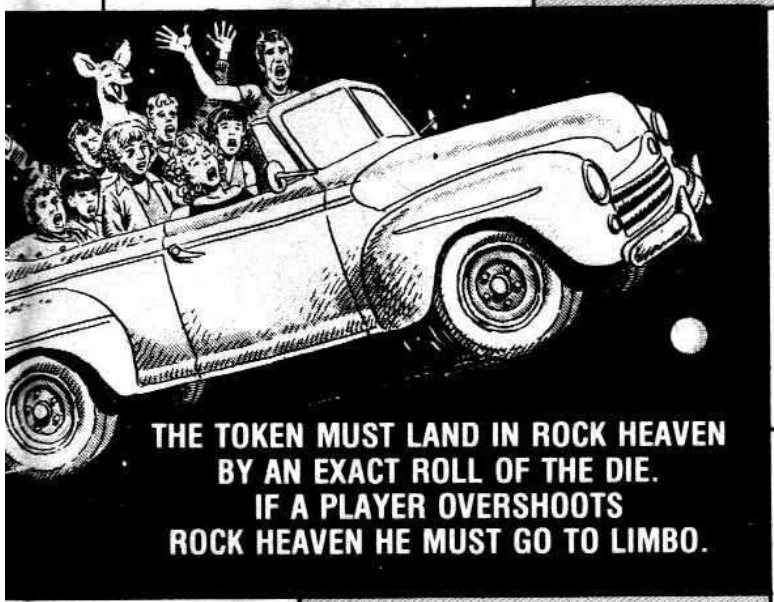
YOU DIG THE GO-GO'S
GO-GO AGAIN

YOU WIN FIRST PRIZE IN AN AIR BAND CONTEST
ADVANCE 1

GO AGAIN

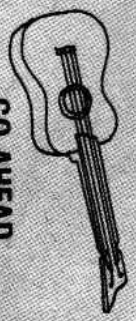
YOU GET TO TOUCH MICHAEL JACKSON'S GLOVE
AHEAD 5

ROADIE DROPS ½ TON AMPLIFIER ON YOUR TOE . . .
LOSE TURN



THE TOKEN MUST LAND IN ROCK HEAVEN BY AN EXACT ROLL OF THE DIE. IF A PLAYER OVERSHOOTS ROCK HEAVEN HE MUST GO TO LIMBO.

YOU WIN BOY GEORGE LOOK-ALIKE CONTEST . . . AND YOU DIDN'T EVEN ENTER
LOSE TURN



GO AHEAD

YOU GET SLAMMED IN A SLAM DANCE
BACK 3

YOU KNEW FATS DOMINO WHEN HE WAS KNOWN AS "SLIM"
ADVANCE 1

WHILE BREAK DANCING YOU FLIP WHEN YOU SHOULD HAVE FLOPPED
LOSE TURN

GO AGAIN

PUNK-TYPE CHAIN BELT SLOWS YOU DOWN
LOSE TURN

ARCADE RECORD SHOP
IS MOBBED
IF YOU LAND ON THIS SQUARE YOU NEED EVEN NUMBER TO GET THROUGH

YOU THINK THE MGR. OF THE STRAY CATS IS SOMEONE WHO WORKS FOR THE ASPCA
BACK 1

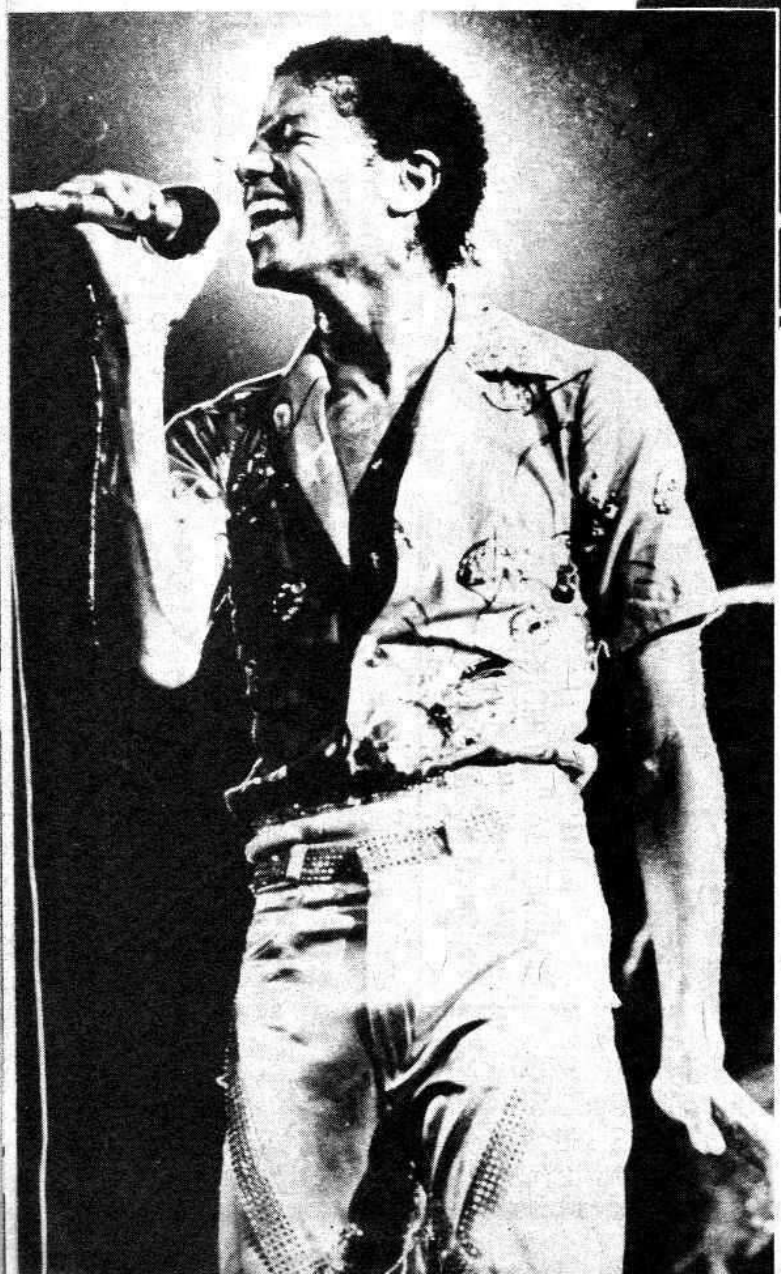
SOMEONE REMOVED THE LABELS ON YOUR CALVIN KLEIN JEANS
BACK 2

YOUR MOTHER TURNS OFF MTV TO WATCH DICK CLARK
LOSE TURN

GO AGAIN

YOU'VE NEVER HEARD OF ALLENTOWN, P.A.
LOSE TURN

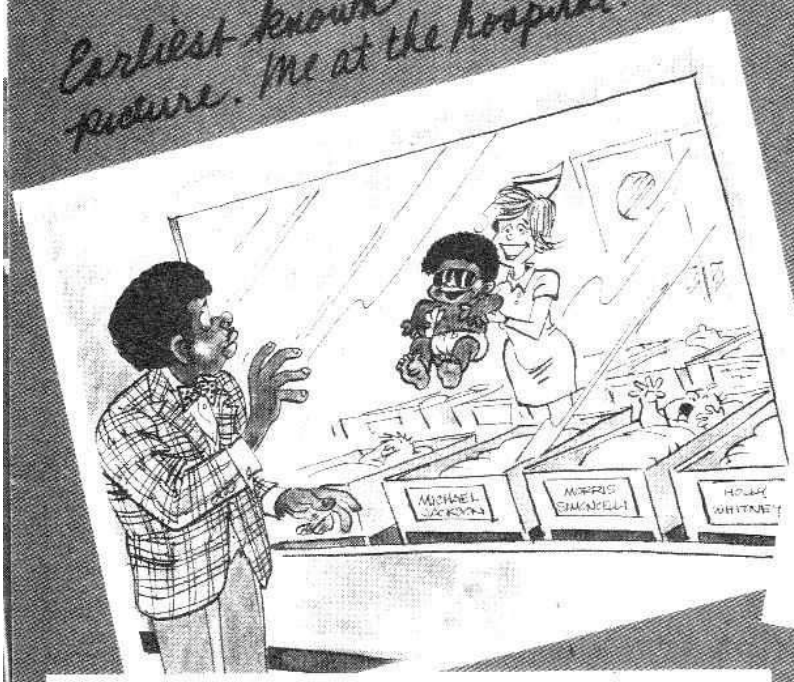
MIKE AT WORK



People often ask us two questions. The first is "Do CRACKED writers prefer duck or chicken as their dinner at a Chinese restaurant" and the second, "Could you tell us something—anything—about Michael Jackson's background." Well, the answer to the first question, we're afraid, is highly confidential (sorry but we can't reveal anything that would help our competition). And the answer to the second? Well, what better way to give you insight into the background of rock's #1 super star than to show you some selected pages from

Michael Jackson's SCRAPBOOK

Earliest known picture. Me at the hospital.



Me performing with my brothers at an early age in a talent show.

Me with some early fans.

THE MICHAEL JACKSON GROUP
THE 4 JACKSONS PLUS MICHAEL

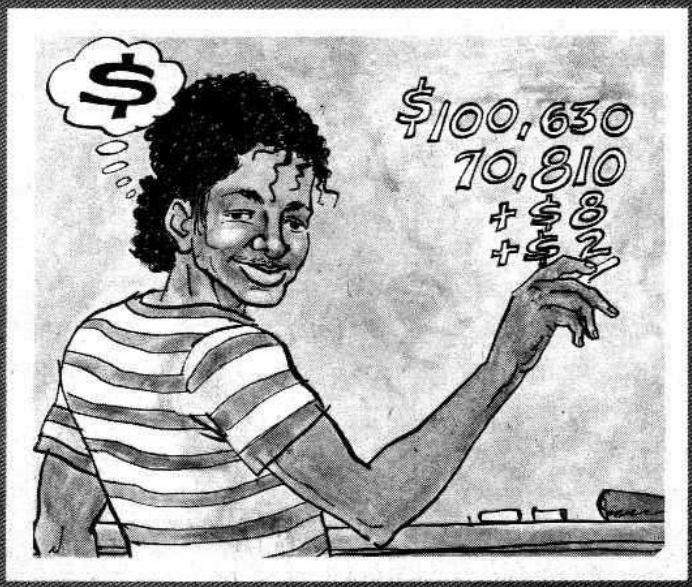
MICHAEL JACKSON'S BROTHERS AND HIM.

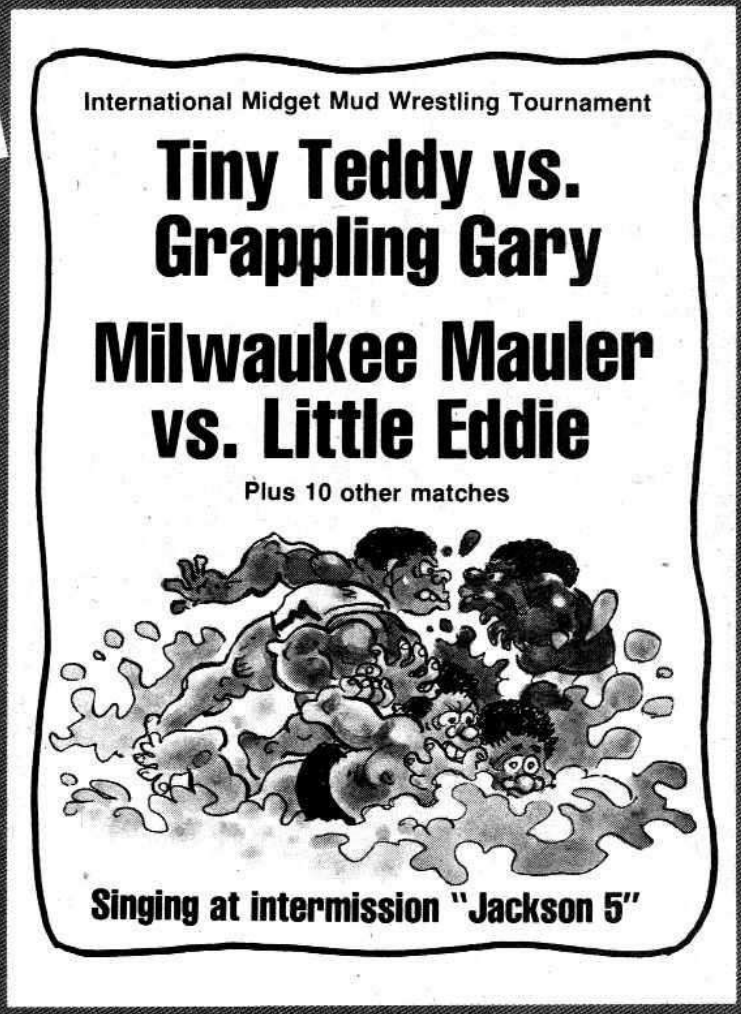
Early names I suggested to my brothers for our group.

Their reactions to my suggestions. →

My 1st, Mammy
Mammy is what I called
Grandma Jackson.

I am lousy at math in school
until I find the secret that helps
me add better.





Poster of 1st.
concert ever after
signing with Motown.

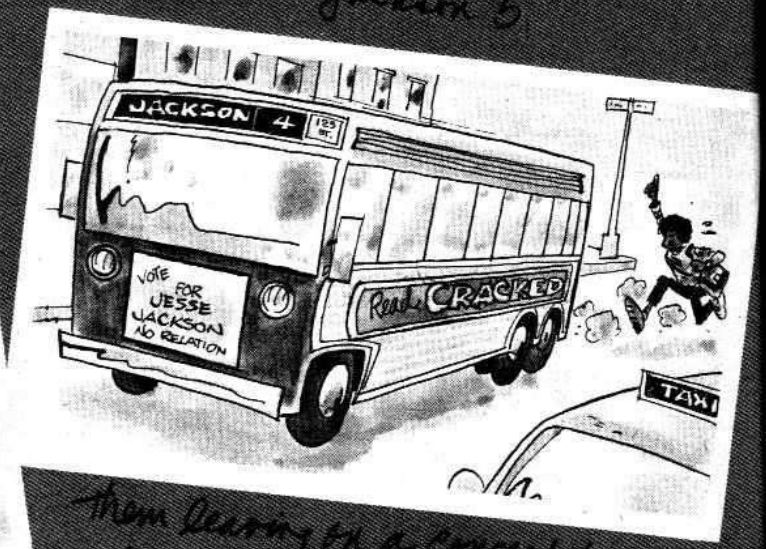
First hit single that went to #1

Following single that went nowhere (Taught us not to duplicate our earliest hits too closely).

Me meeting Diana Ross for the 1st time. As you can tell, I wasn't too impressed.

We started catching on and I try to perfect a trademark one-eyed sunglasses. This never catches on either and proves to be pretty dumb!

I decide to leave the group The Jackson 5



Them leaving on a concert tour and me missing the bus was a prime reason.

As a solo, I knew I have to be unique, so I go to an expert to help me with my dance movement... to help me perfect technique that makes it look as if I have no spine.

HEAT IT
HEAT IT
IF YOU WANT YOUR DINNER
GO HEAT IT
HAVE A HAMBURGER
HAVE SOME FRENCH FRIES

Early lyric sheet to "Beardk" Then called "Heat It"

As the Scarecrow in "The Wiz" I tried out this outfit with 2 gloves. It didn't work so-

I finally perfected my trademark when, right before going on stage the dry cleaner informed me they've lost one of my gloves.

Me posing with my favorite soft drink.

Me posing with my favorite soft drink after being given $5 million to do 3 commercials for them.

Me going to lunch at McDonald's during a break from the making of my video "THRILLER." For some reason, this was the first time I wasn't mobbed by fans.

Me arriving at the 1983 Grammys.

(ok, so I was a little confident).

O.K., so you can't get tickets to the Michael Jackson concert tour—turn up your videos and play

THE MICHAEL JACKSON BOOK OF GAMES AND PUZZLES

CAN YOU FIND WHERE MICHAEL JACKSON IS HIDING IN THIS PICTURE?

(For answer turn this cover over)

Answer: In his hotel room. You think he's nuts enough to go out into a mob like that?!

CAN YOU FIND THE NAMES OF ALL 9 OF THE CUTS FROM THE "THRILLER" ALBUM HIDDEN BELOW?

H	Z	I	L	Z	T	L	U	W	X	B	A	E
S	P	T	F	L	M	B	O	Z	L	T	E	F
H	T	L	I	F	O	S	U	H	E	U	L	M
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Z	V	I	G	C	A	U	T	T	O	P	Q	T
Q	Z	O	G	E	M	H	L	L	S	E	L	E
L	F	O	M	L	B	L	E	U	Q	M	L	Z
T	B	V	D	F	T	T	P	S	L	H	G	Q
S	C	L	C	T	O	U	W	B	A	P	F	T

Ans. Probably not because all 9 of the record titles ARE hidden in the puzzle above but the letters are not in order.

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW MICHAEL JACKSON?

1. What color is his hair? ____
2. What size slippers does he wear? ____
3. Did he have a headache yesterday? ____
4. Does he wear contacts? ____
5. How many pairs of glasses does his mother own? ____
6. What was his room number when he stayed in Salt Lake City? ____

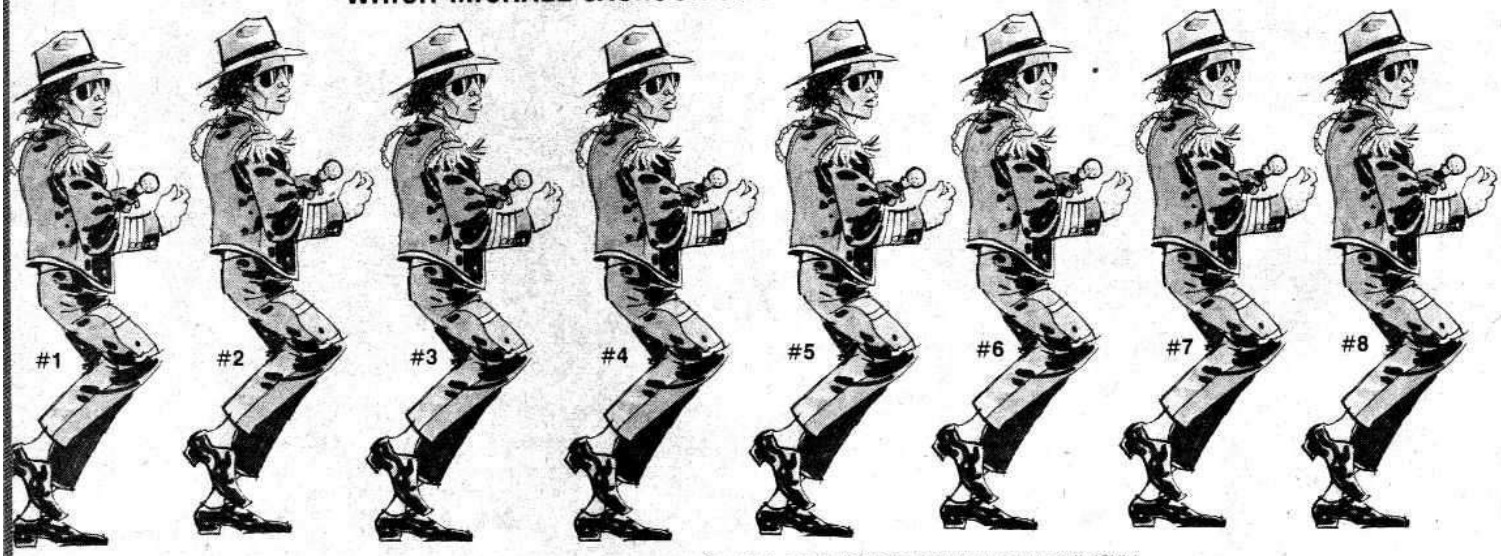
Ans. If you know the answers to these 6 questions, then you know Michael well. And, if you know him that well, do you think you could get us a pair of tickets for his next concert?

CAN YOU GUESS THE NAMES OF THESE 5 MICHAEL JACKSON SONGS?

1. L
2. U
3. E
4. O
5. I

Ans. "Thriller", "Human Nature", "The Girl Is Mine", "Off The Wall" and "I Want To Hold Your Hand." (O.K., the last one is a Beatles song. We didn't want to make it **that** easy for you)

WHICH MICHAEL JACKSON IS DIFFERENT FROM THE REST?



Ans. #3. That Michael Jackson isn't wearing an undershirt. All the rest are.

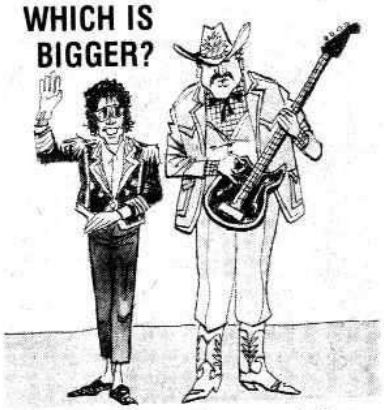
HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW MICHAEL'S MUSIC?

Write "yes" next to the songs he's sung.

____ 1. "Love Theme From Texas Chainsaw Massacre"
____ 2. "I'll Tumber For Ya"
____ 3. "Three Little Fishies"
____ 4. "If I Give My Heart To You, What Will I Use"
____ 5. "Bend Over Beethoven"
____ 6. "Rock Around The Cluck"
____ 7. "Every Bath You Take"
____ 8. "The Electricians Theme Song—You Life Up My Wife"

Ans. If you wrote "yes" next to #2, you're right. Michael sang this in the shower just yesterday.

WHICH IS BIGGER?



Ans. Michael, of course. He's sold millions more records and has a lot more fans than that guy on the right.

WHEN MICHAEL JACKSON REMOVES HIS SUNGLASSES, WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO SEE BENEATH?

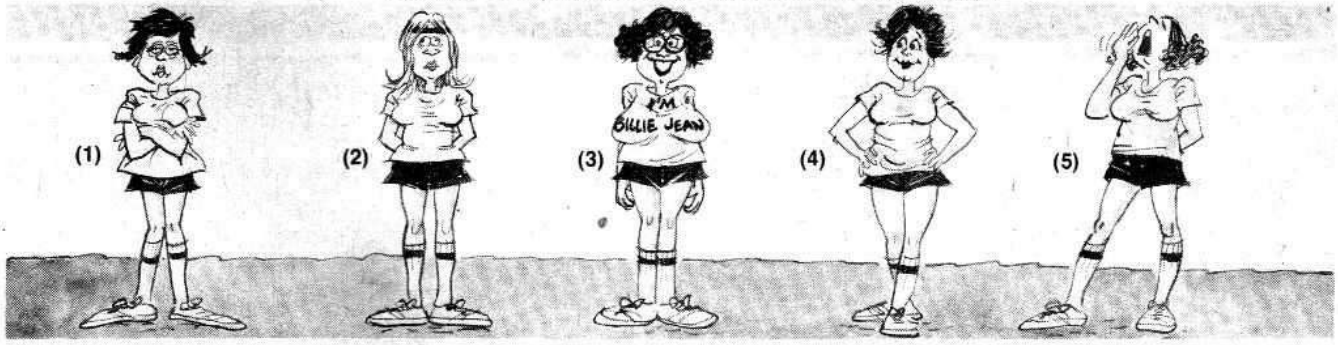
(A) (B) (C) (D)

Ans. E. Honest. And you would have picked E too if we hadn't run out of room to print it.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?

Ans. The two young girls are helping the old lady instead of running after Michael screaming "I love you."

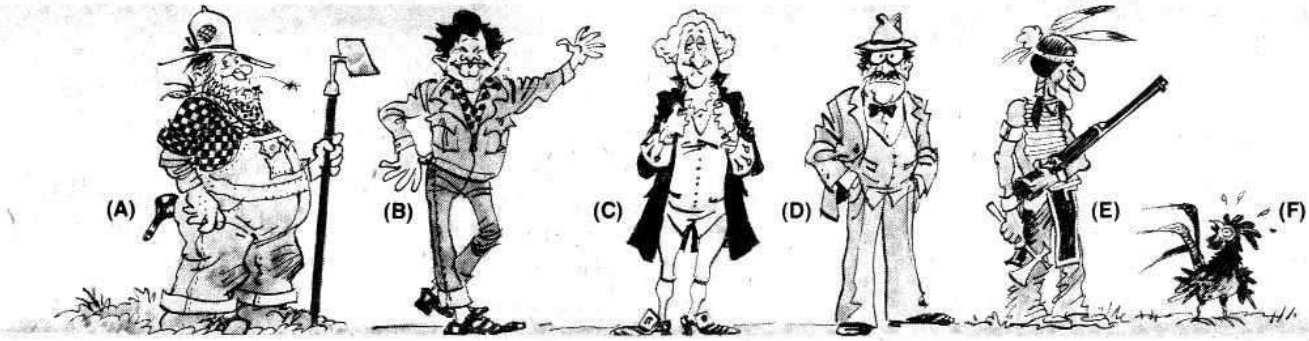
WHICH GIRL BELOW IS NAMED BILLIE JEAN?



(1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Ans. Girl #4. Girl #3 borrowed the t-shirt from her.

WHICH PERSON BELOW LOOKS THE MOST LIKE MICHAEL JACKSON?



(A) (B) (C) (D) (E) (F)

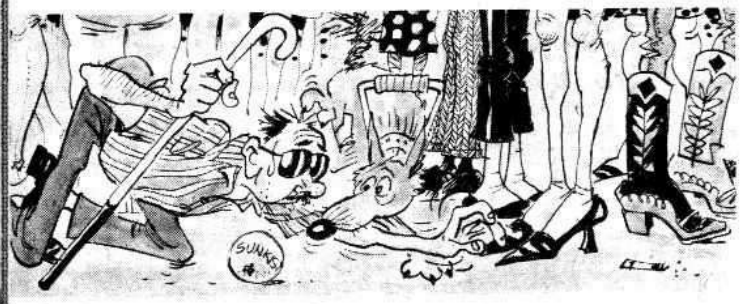
Ans. We agree. We don't think any one of them looks anything like Michael.

FUN GAME ANY 60 PEOPLE CAN PLAY

Form 2 lines of 30 people each.

An orange is placed under the chin of the 1st person in each line.

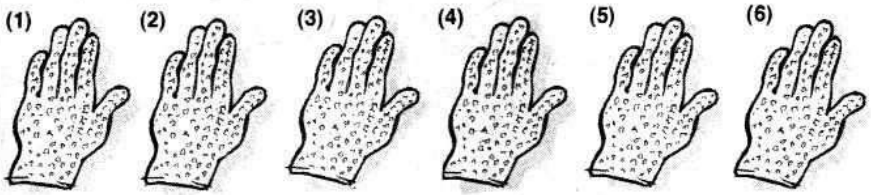
The orange is then passed along from one person to the next without using hands.



The first person who asks

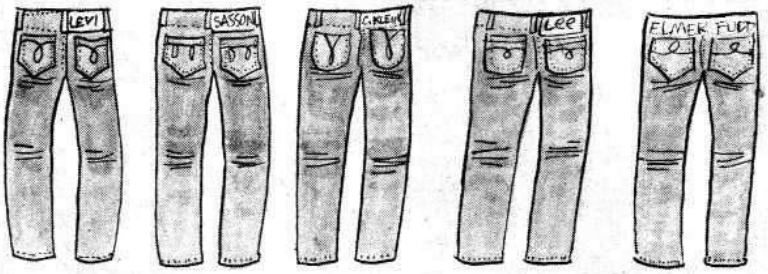
Is the winner!

WHICH SEQUINED GLOVE IS DIFFERENT FROM THE REST?



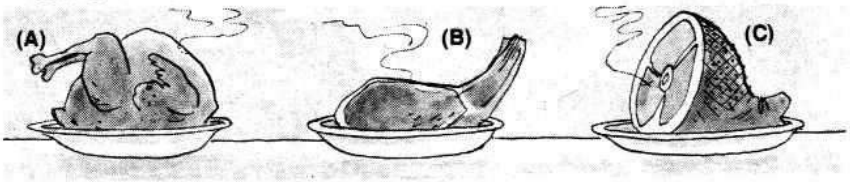
Ans. #6. This one has two less sequins than all the rest. Take a high-powered magnifying glass and count for yourself if you don't believe us.

WHICH PAIR OF JEANS IS MICHAEL'S FAVORITE?



Ans. None of 'em! Everyone knows his favorite is Billy Jeans.

WHICH DISH BELOW IS MICHAEL JACKSON'S FAVORITE?



Ans. B and C aren't, because he's a vegetarian. The answer is A—which is a plate of mashed potatoes shaped to look like a chicken.

HOW MANY ZIPPERS DOES THE JACKET MICHAEL JACKSON WORE IN THE VIDEO "BEAT IT" HAVE?

Ans. Did you say 23? Well, that's wrong. Try again.

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DIANA ROSS'S DARKEST HOUR

. . . HAPPENED DURING A POWER BLACKOUT OF ONE OF HER CONCERTS

WHY BILLY JOEL WON'T GIVE CHER A DIVORCE

. . . NAMELY, BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT MARRIED.

EXCLUSIVE!

WHY MICHAEL JACKSON WON'T STOP DRINKING

PEPSI COLA

STEVIE NICK'S SHOCKING EXPERIENCE

. . . WAS CAUSED BY A SHORT CIRCUIT IN HER HAIRDRYER

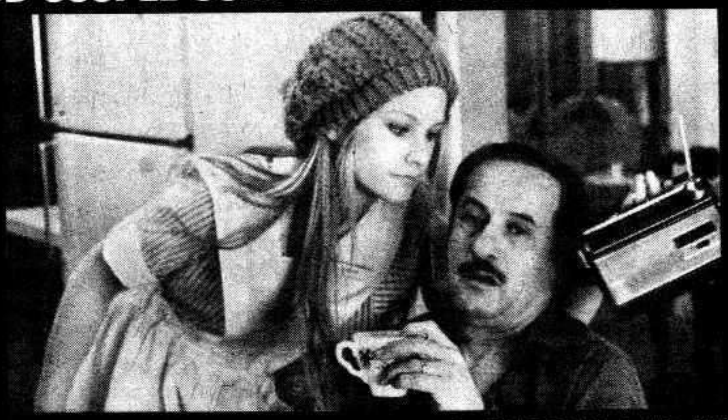
ATTENTION CHECKOUT CLERKS:
RUN THE SYMBOL BELOW THROUGH YOUR ELECTRONIC SCANNER. IT IS **NOT** A PICTURE OF A NEW WAVE HAIRCUT

DURAN DURAN MAKES MAKES IT IT BIG BIG ON ON THE THE CHARTS CHARTS

RUSSIAN ROCK VIDEO HIT SCORES BIG

BIGGEST IRON CURTAIN ROCK VIDEO OF THE YEAR IS A RUSSIFIED VERSION OF CINDY LAUPER'S SMASH HIT, "PEASANT GIRLS JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN".

ODD COUPLE COMPATIBLE EXCEPT FOR MUSIC



SIXTY-YEAR OLD STANISLAUS MURPHY AND HIS FIFTEEN-YEAR OLD SPOUSE ELVIRA FIND THEY SHARE SIMILAR INTERESTS EXCEPT FOR MUSIC. STANILAUS LAMENTS, "ELVIRA WON'T EVEN LISTEN TO MY BLACK FLAG AND POLICE RECORDS. ALL SHE WANTS TO DO IS PLAY LAWRENCE WELK ALL DAY LONG."

MICHAEL JACKSON REHEARSES THRILLER II

MICHAEL IS VERY PLEASED WITH PROGRESS IN HIS PERFORMANCE AS THE MUMMY. SAID THE HOTTEST NAME IN SHOBIZ, "THIS IS ONE ROCK VIDEO ROLE I'M COMPLETELY WRAPPED UP IN."

BROOKE SHIELDS DESCRIBES WEIRD EFFECT OF MICHAEL JACKSON ON HER

BROOKE SHIELDS OFFERED HERSELF AS PROOF OF THE DRAMATIC CHANGE MICHAEL JACKSON CAN HAVE ON PEOPLE. ONE GLANCE FROM MICHAEL AND SHE HERSELF WAS TRANSFORMED FROM A COMPLETE KLUTZ INTO SOMEONE WHO IS QUITE HANDY.

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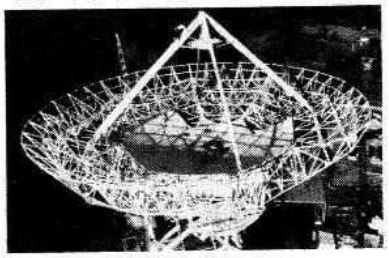


GADGET ALSO SERVES AS A RAIN CATCHER IN DROUGHT-STRICKEN AREAS ONLY **$19.95**

BREAK DANCING MANIA SPREADS AROUND THE GLOBE

BREAK DANCING, ONCE THE DOMAIN OF STREET URCHINS, HAS SPREAD TO THE WORLD OF ADULTS. FASHIONABLE AREAS LIKE RODEO DRIVE AND PARK AVENUE ARE FREQUENTLY THE SCENE OF BREAK-DANCING CONTESTS FOR GROWN-UPS. THE SPONSORS OF SUCH CONTESTS ARE USUALLY THE LOCAL DRY CLEANING ESTABLISHMENTS.

COWBOYS ARE DOING IT

WALL-STREETERS ARE DOING IT

EVEN SKIN-DIVERS ARE DOING IT

AND **SOPHISTICATED PARISIANS** ARE DOING IT WITH THEIR BICYCLES.

MOTHER DISCOVERS CURE FOR NTV HABIT

IDA PITKOWSKI HELD OUT HOPE TO THE MOTHERS OF AMERICA WHOSE OFFSPRING HAVE BECOME "NTV ZOMBIES".
"THE CURE IS QUITE SIMPLE," SHE ANNOUNCED. "JUST THREATEN TO CHOP OFF THEIR MITTS IF THE L'IL BUGGERS SO MUCH AS REACH FOR THAT TV DIAL." HER SON "THREE-FINGER" DANNY AGREED TO THE EFFICIENCY OF HIS MOTHER'S METHOD.

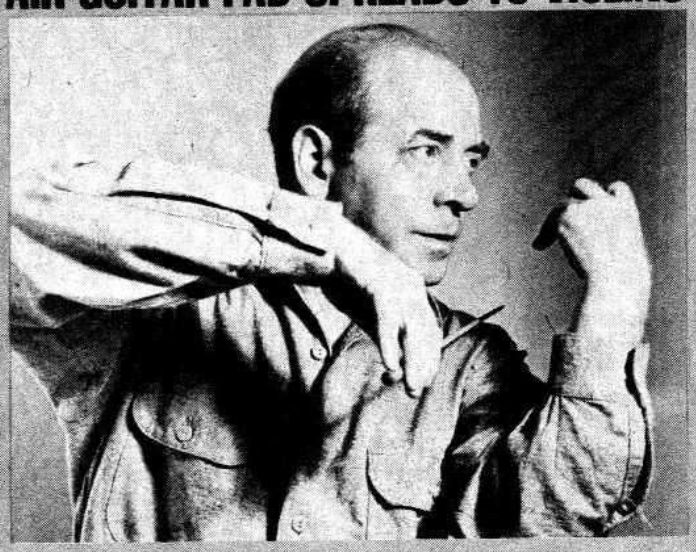
NTV TALENT SEARCH UNCOVERS TWO NEW VIDEO JOCK HOPEFULS

FOR SOME TIME ROCK FANS HAVE BEEN CLAMORING AGAINST THE BLAND VEEJAYS FOUND ON CABLE TV. IN RESPONSE NTV PRODUCERS WILL SOON UNVEIL THE TEAM OF ZEB AND SOPHIE PAGANINI. THE PAIR IS SHOWN KNEELING IN GRATITUDE AT BEING SELECTED. NEXT WEEK NTV TALENT SCOUTS WILL INTERVIEW THE WINCHELL DOUGHNUT SHOP CREW IN BAKERSFIELD IN HOPES OF FINDING MORE VEEJAY REPLACEMENTS.

ULTIMATE ROCK VIDEO PLANNED

DIRK DEJAVU, THE FELLINI OF ROCK VIDEOS, PLANS A SUPER EXTRAVAGANZA THAT WILL INCLUDE ONE HUNDRED PUNK LOLITAS PAIRED WITH ONE HUNDRED LEATHER-CLAD BOYFRIENDS. DIRK'S VIDEO WILL ALSO INCLUDE ONE SPACIOUS DESERT, SEVERAL OPEN HIGHWAYS, ONE DESOLATE SEASCAPE, THE OUTBACKS OF AUSTRALIA, THE ATLANTIC CITY BOARDWALK, FOUR L.A. STREET GANGS, 750 SMOKE BOMBS, AND A PARTRIDGE IN A PEAR TREE.

AIR GUITAR FAD SPREADS TO VIOLINS



TEENS WHO'VE TAKEN TO FAKING THE HOT LICKS OF THEIR FAVORITE ROCK GUITARISTS WOULD BE SURPRISED TO SEE THEIR PASTIME SPREAD TO CLASSICAL MUSIC.

RUDOLPH BAKLAVA, 57, RECENTLY WON THE PHILADELPHIA PHILHARMONIC'S AIR VIOLIN CONTEST WITH HIS BRILLIANT IMITATION OF JASCHA NEIFETZ. RUDOLPHO'S AMBITION IS TO SOME DAY MASTER THE AIR BASSOON.

ROADIES WANTED FOR MICHAEL JACKSON'S TOUR OF ALASKA

AS AN INDUCEMENT FOR SIGNING UP WITH THE TOUR EACH ROADIE WILL BE GIVEN A PORTABLE TOASTER TO KEEP HIS HANDS WARM. EACH ROADIE WILL ALSO BE THE RECIPIENT OF A SUPER DELUXE DOG SLED AND TEAM

ENTERPRISING YOUTH SNEAKS FANS INTO STADIUM ROCK CONCERTS

NEIL NUTBUSH HAS DEVELOPED A UNIQUE SERVICE OF SNEAKING FANS INTO OPEN-AIRED CONCERTS WITH THE AID OF A HELICOPTER.

NEIL HAS RECENTLY PURCHASED TUNNEL CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND HOPES TO EXPAND HIS BUSINESS BY SNEAKING PATRONS INTO AUDITORIUMS.

TRAGEDY AGAIN STRIKES MICHAEL JACKSON COMMERCIAL

FLAMES INTERRUPTED A MICHAEL JACKSON AUTOMOBILE COMMERCIAL IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO MICHAEL'S ILL-FATED PEPSI COMMERCIAL. HIS VALUABLE GLOVE WAS SCORCHED AND TAKEN TO AN EMERGENCY BURN CENTER, BUT TAILORS THERE OFFERED LITTLE HOPE OF SAVING IT SINCE 90% OF ITS MATERIAL SUFFERED FIRST DEGREE BURNS.

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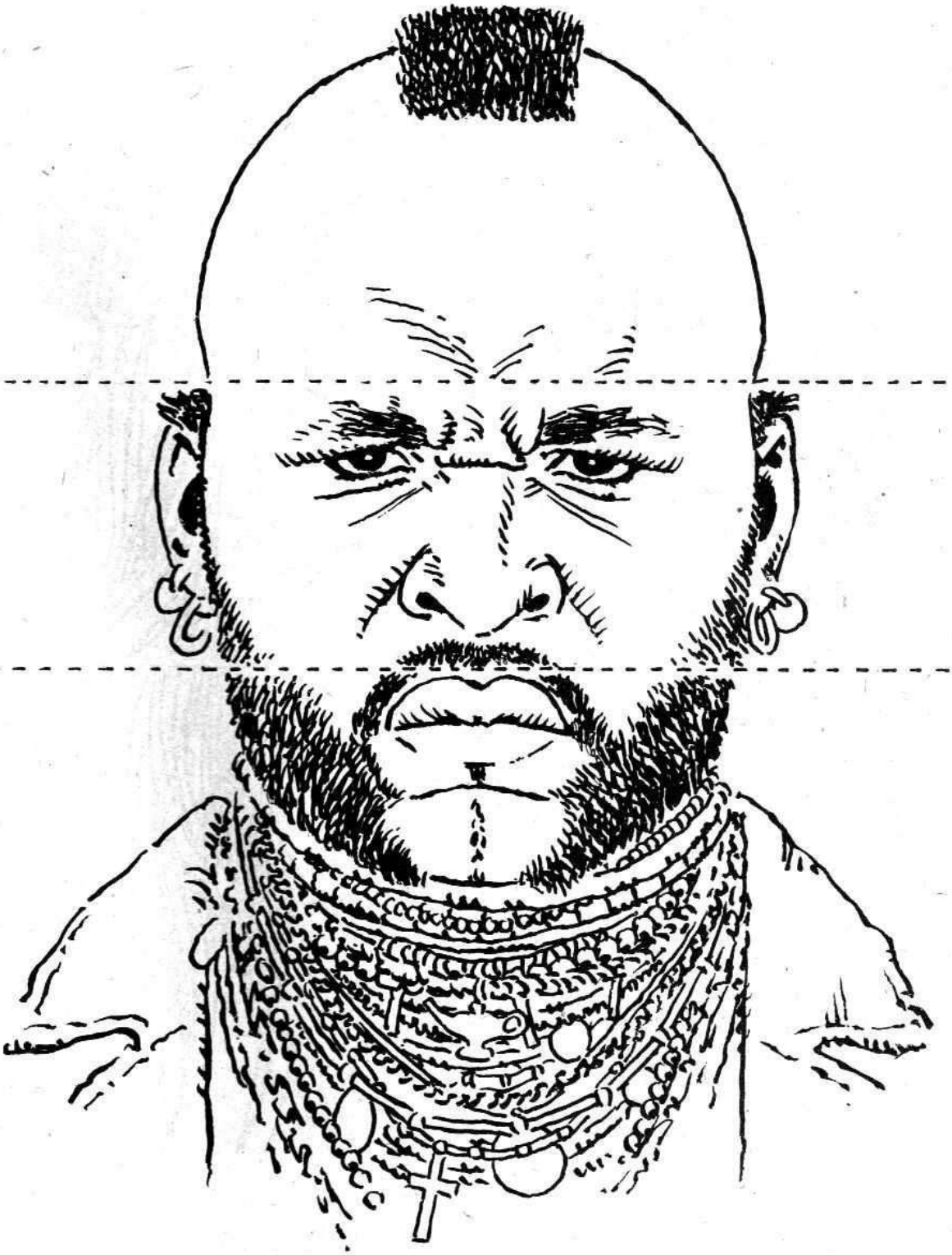
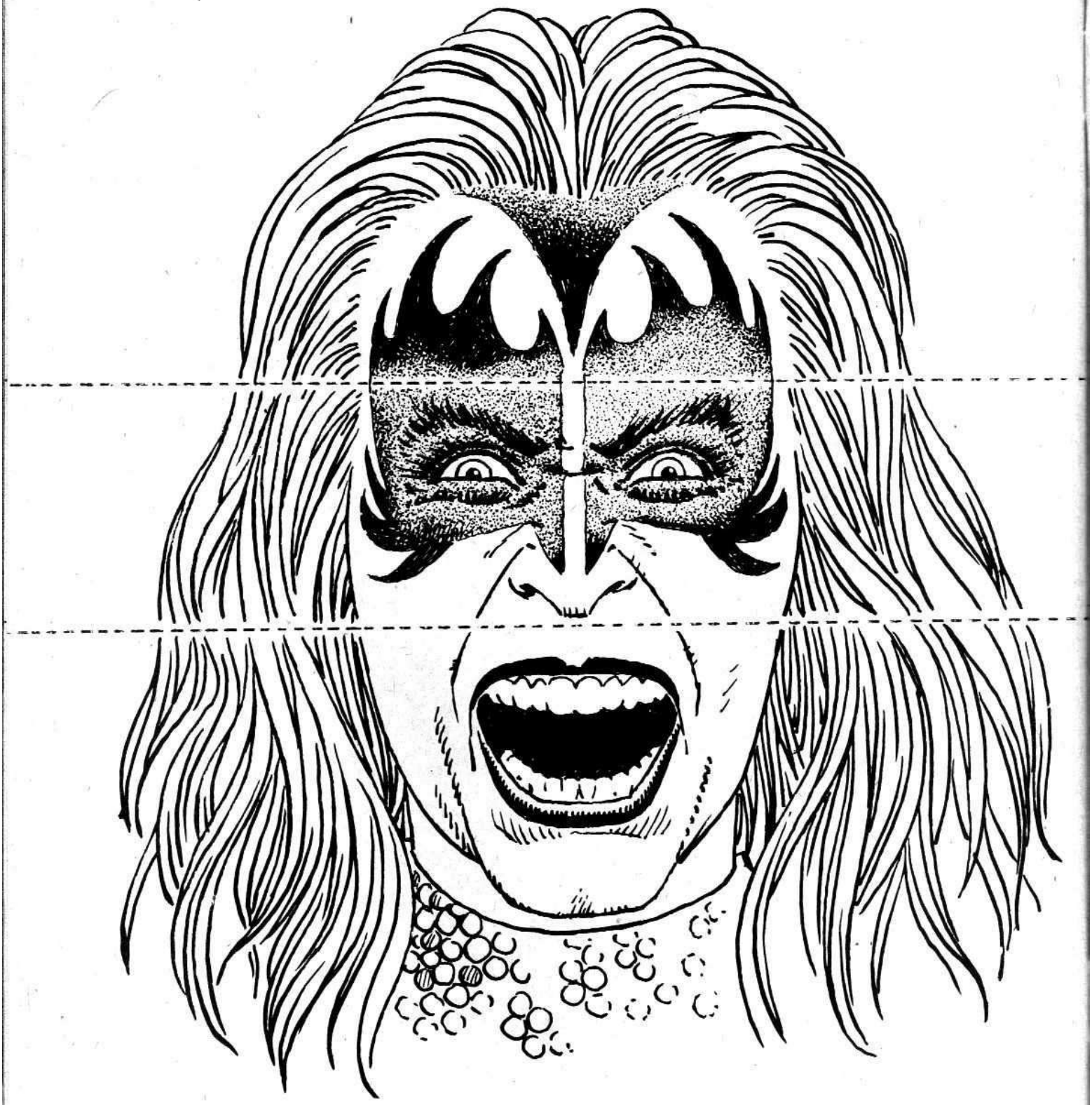
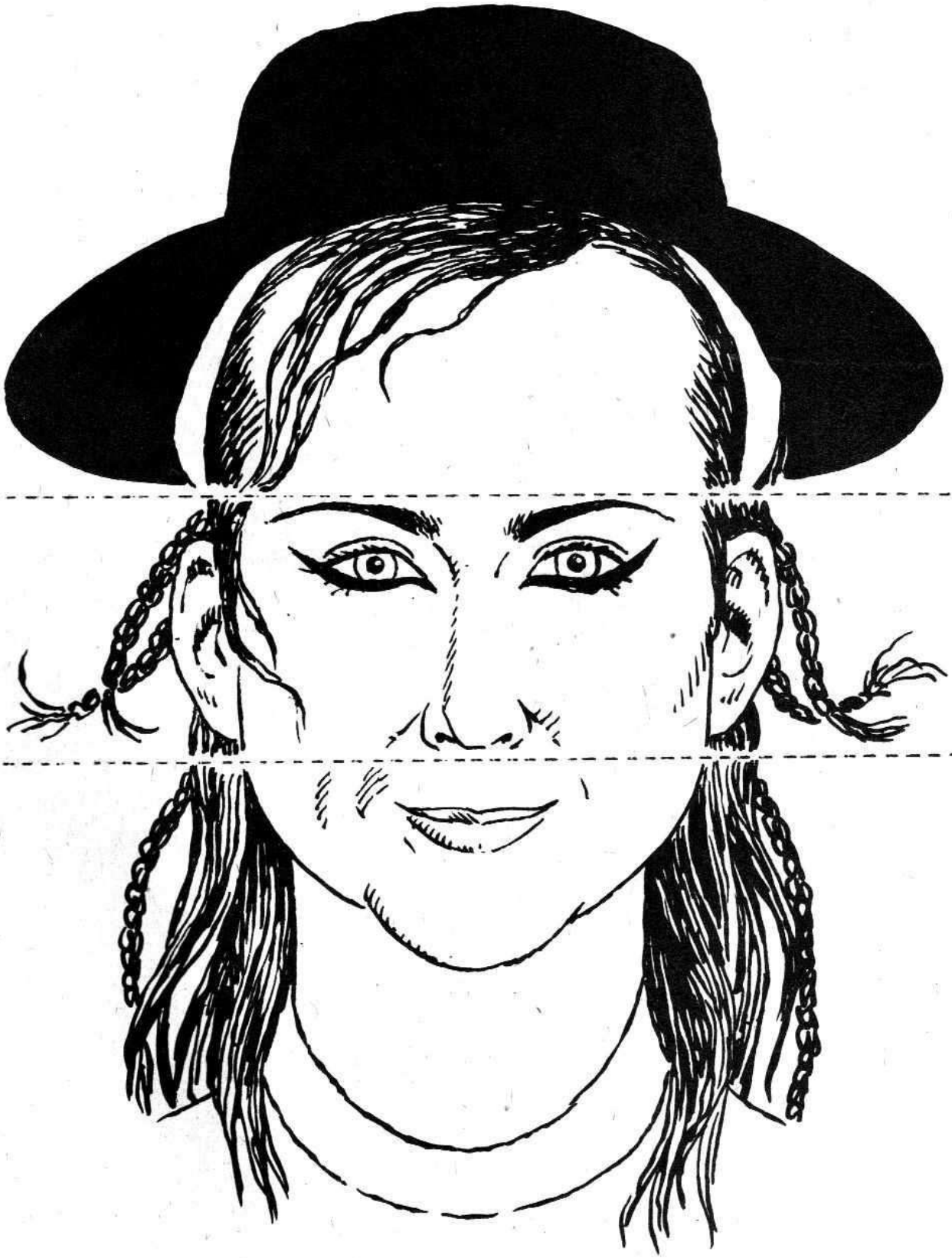
FLIP THE FACES BOOK

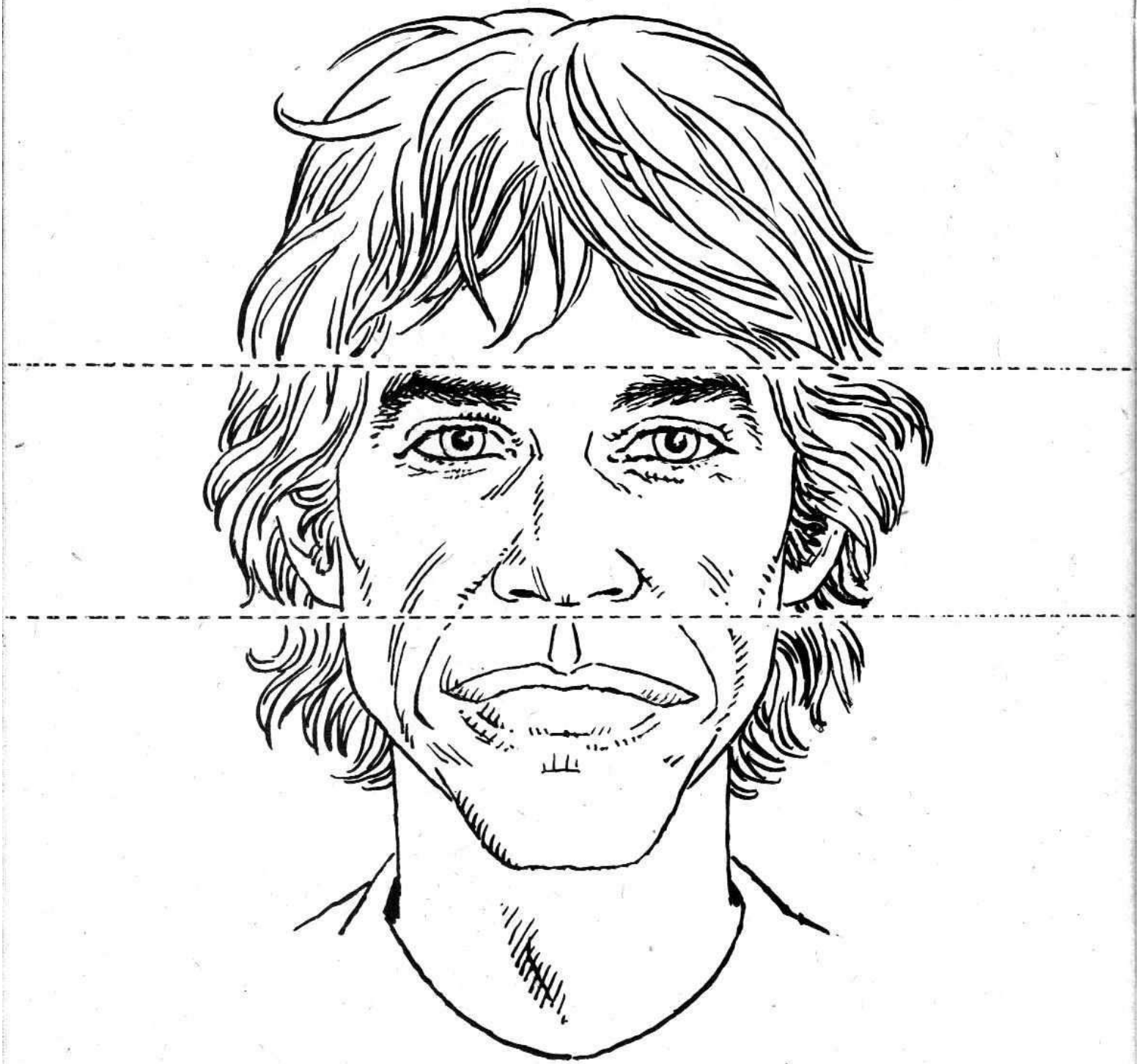
INSTRUCTIONS:

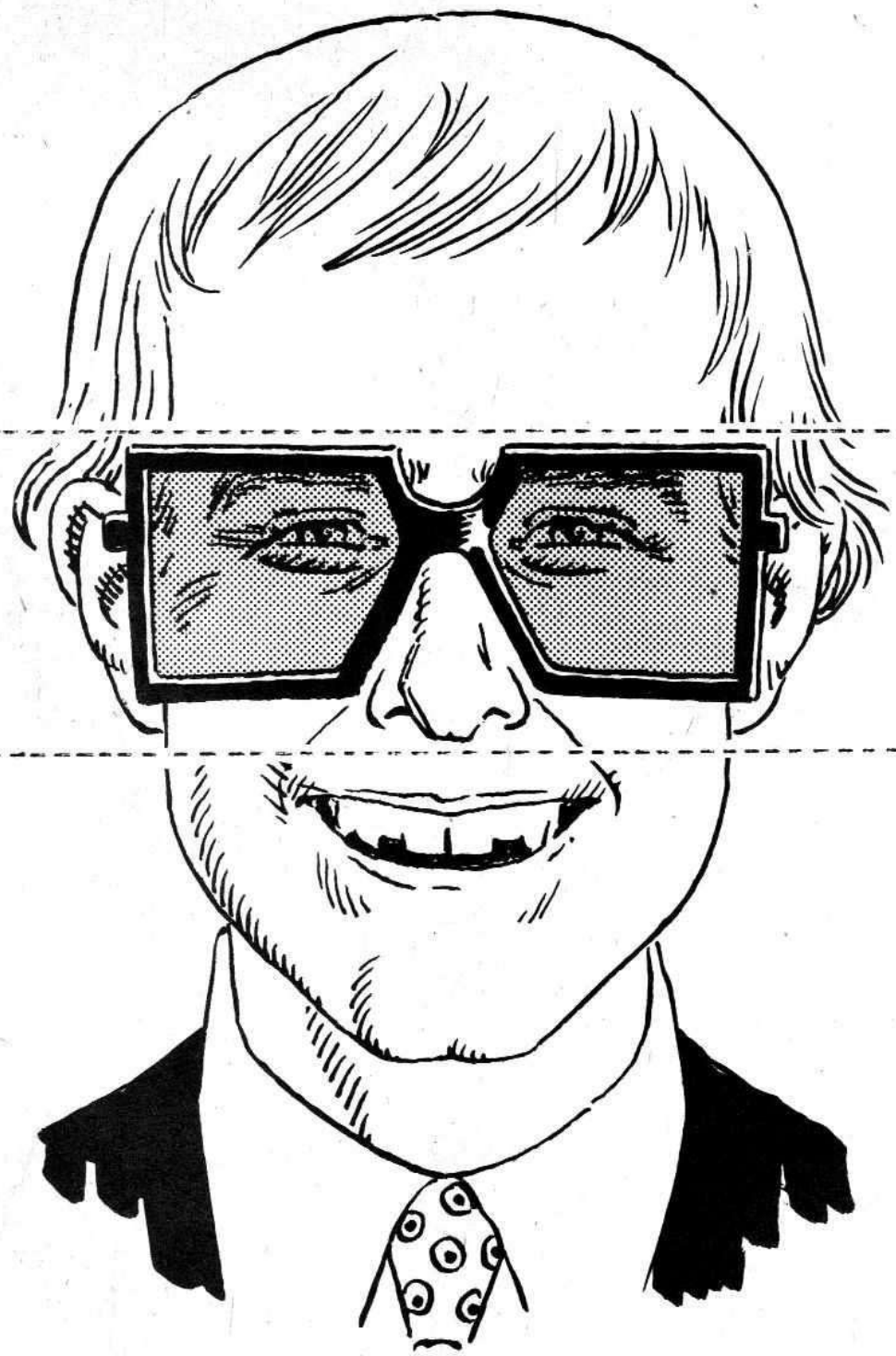
Cut faces along dotted lines, and then flip the sections! You'll be amazed at the transformations that take place. There are hundreds of hilarious combinations that make for hours of fantastic fun!











Did you chew up those Lionel Richie albums like I told you?